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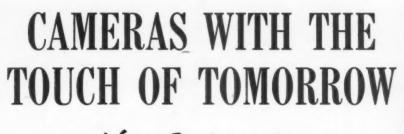
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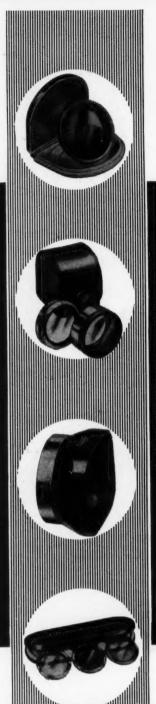
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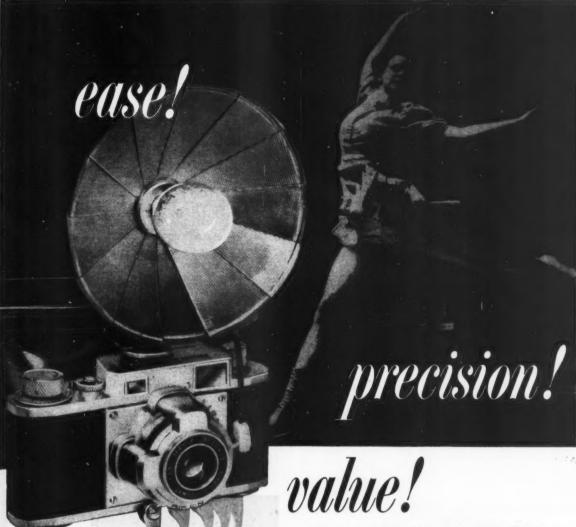




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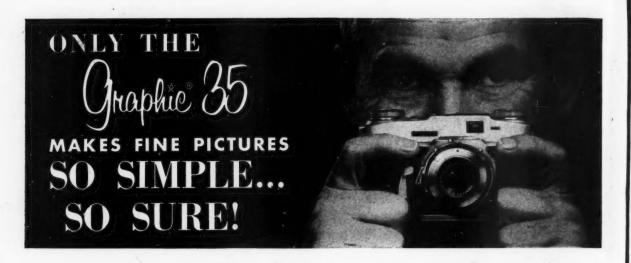
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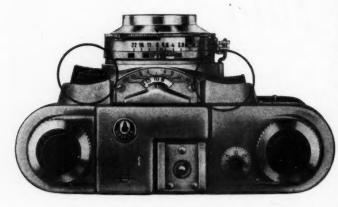


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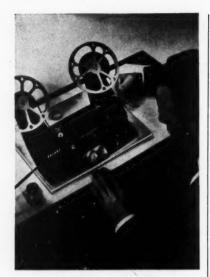
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Ingredients for a cover shot-camera, girl, and an idea. Sounds simple, and it is-as a starting point. But this month's cover photographer, Wingate Paine, notes that somehow all the elements in the final picture must be brought together. And that's where the work comes in making a successful cover-even when the girl is someone as pretty as model Dolores Hawkins. A picture of a girl simply holding a camera might have been rather dull. So, Paine got Miss Hawkins interested in actually looking through the eyelevel reflex 35mm camera and getting the lens into focus. The original transparency was on 4 x 5 Ektachrome. Paine used an Ektar 71/2 in. lens at f/11, mounted on a Deardorff view camera. One electronic flash supplied bounce lighting.

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winners. First it was dinner at Janssen's Restaurant, on Lexington Ave., in New York City. Then, a trip crosstown to see and meet Sammy Davis, Jr., in Mr. Wonderful. Those who stayed in town at the Hotel Roosevelt found a crock of Romanoff's caviar in their rooms. One of the biggest surprises came at the cocktail party and print exhibition held for the winners the next afternoon at Photography Place. The two top winners discovered that in addition to the top prize of six weeks' employment at Photography Place at \$100 per week, there was more. They were presented with a weekend at Grossinger's, top resort in the mountains just outside of New York City. The second place winner can, of course, look forward to his trip to Nassau aboard the S. S. Nassau, of the Incres-Nassau Line, leaving frigid winter weather behind him for a little while

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We journeyed crosstown a few weeks ago to watch a rather unusual demonstration—most people consider submarines in hotel swimming pools rather odd. But after listening to Dimitri Rebikoff describe the future of his one-man submarine as an instrument for military personnel, research scientists, photographers, or anyone just interested in taking a tour of the world beneath the sea, you get convinced that a one-man submarine demonstrated in a swimming pool isn't terribly odd after all.

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COFFEE BREAK

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of the Pegasus may make that unnecessary. Mr. Rebikoff whirled and dived his submarine all over the pool, riding it somewhat like a pony. The sub is equipped with running lights and also lights for photographic purposes.

A 16mm movie camera is built into the Pegasus. The films taken with the sub are rather unusual, giving one a



The wild blue under . . .

kind of passing parade view of underwater life. The sub may have some attraction to harassed motorists. It can be parked anywhere that's wet—and from what we can gather there is no dearth of parking space under the waves. Seriously though, the Pegasus should go a long way toward advancing underwater photography and research. You can travel at speeds of four knots or more on power from its battery-operated motor. The Pegasus extends the range of the free diver by a tremendous degree.

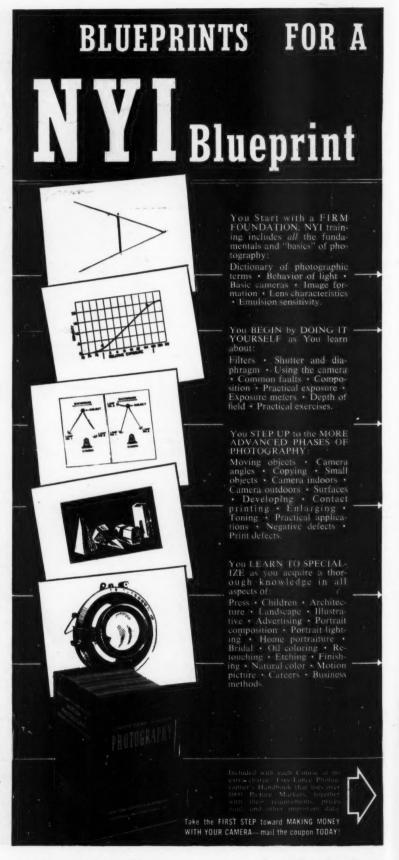
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New Photo Books

GERMAN PHOTOGRAPHIC ANNUAL 1957, edited by Dr. Wolf Strache, over 200 pages. American Photographic Book Publishing Co. Price \$7.50

The German annual is, as usual, beautifully reproduced and presented. There are more color illustrations than ever, 12 pages in all, and the overall balance of color photographs is far superior to those of former years. There is a full page color photograph of wild flowers that's stunning indeed.

The black-and-white section of the book deals more heavily this year with industrial and fashion photography.

There are pictures to make up for it however, such as Horst Kratzmann's fantastic portrait of a Japanese dancer—also an excellent bullfight photograph by Christa Peters. A bullfight's a difficult subject in view of the present day's photographic enthusiasm for bullfights and the number of extremely mediocre pictures resulting from it.

Unfortunately, one can see here and there in the book a return to the former German style of "look how good this picture is because it is so sharp" school of photography, where subject becomes subordinated to the Germanic love of discipline rather than freedom of subject.

Despite this alarming overtone the book is very representative of German photography today. The technical data section is fantastically complete, with information on just about everything but the color of the photographer's eyes. Maybe next year.—H.K.

HOW TO CHOOSE MUSIC FOR AMATEUR FILMS, by F. Rawlings, 127 pages; HOW TO PROCESS SUBSTANDARD FILMS, by Leslie J. Wheeler, illustrated, 120 pages; HOW TO WRITE FILM STORIES FOR AMATEUR FILMS, by Richard Harrison, illustrated, 143 pages; HOW TO FILM CHILDREN, by Marcel Notkin, illustrated, 136 pages; and HOW TO ANIMATE CUT-OUTS FOR AMATEUR FILMS, by C. H. Barton, illustrated, 120 pages; all published by Focal Press, New York and London, Price \$1.75 each.

How to Choose Music can be a big help to the amateur movie maker just embarking on adding sound to his home productions. The book begins with a very informative discussion of the part played by music in film production. It then goes on to a chapter on applying mood music to your films, with a list of composers that may be found suitable, and some of the mechanics involved in adding music to films. However, the book fails to get much beyond the record—and barely at all into the use of tape recorders. The book does contain a rather exhaustive list of available recordings for many kinds of movie use.

How to process substandard films deals with the home developing of amateur movie films. The author spends most of his time discussing the processing of reversal black-and-white film, rather than negative stock or color. The chapters deal with what happens when film is developed, what equipment you need, what you can buy, what you can make, and the various steps involved in home processing.

How to Write Film Stories is aimed at helping the amateur who desires to make theatrical-type motion pictures. Factors discussed are: what is a story; story structure; characterization; choosing a story; original themes; adapting from fiction; adapting from life; and other details. Sample shooting scripts are offered as a guide, showing how they were developed.

How to Film Children is the kind of book that, correctly used, can help the film maker prevent those dull evenings his friends come to loathe—an evening of watching every foot ever shot of the proud offspring. Much of the book is devoted to basic camera technique, but another large section is devoted to the kind of thing worth shooting in relation to children, from birth through the early formative years. It contains a wealth of good shooting material.

How to Animate Cut-outs is a fairly comprehensive book that covers everything from the principles of animation, through cartoons and cut-outs, equipment, making the cut-outs and backgrounds, to story lines, filming techniques, and special effects. Diagrams for a rather elaborate, but certainly practical, animation stand are presented. Step by step instructions are offered for making the cut-out dolls and animals, in addition to the methods for making movable joints. An important chapter in the book deals with timing movement. The author presents a fine way for the interested amateur to get started in animation .- M.A.M.

THE ANATOMY OF NATURE, by Andreas Feininger, 168 pages, 176 photographs. Crown Publishers, N. Y. Price \$5.95

That Andreas Feininger is a photographer with a fantastic technical grasp of the mechanical intricacies of photography is well-known. That his many photographic books have served as reference guides to amateurs in the first throes of the hobby and to professionals in search of a particular answer to a stumping problem is also known. We've also seen his credit line in Life throughout the many years he has served on its staff. So it may cause some eyebrow lifting when this reviewer states that Andreas Feininger has finally found his metier in his new book, The Anatomy of Nature. But (Continued on page 16)

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Have you ever really looked at the amazingly beautiful forms of leaves, worms (yes, worms!) spider webs, sea horses? Our best designers have not yet matched what nature has been doing since before recorded history.

In short, have you ever pondered the truth in that old cliche, "the wonders of nature?" Andreas Feininger has. And he writes and photographs it with such enthusiasm and precise beauty that you'll want to get up at five in the morning and start looking for a dewfilled spider web yourself.

A word of caution; this is more of a camera reporter's treatise on nature than it is a creative artist's. Feininger tells about his subject literally, but does not invest it with the artistic merit of a Weston. This is a fascinating book to read and study, but I doubt if many of the pictures will end up having a place of merit on your wall. Let us not ask for the world, however; the author has accomplished his purpose, which is to tell the reader about nature from a new point of view.

The author has not forgotten his technically minded audience in all this. He has a fine section filled with information on the kinds of cameras, lenses, films, lights, and odd accessories the nature photographer should carry along in his knapsack and how he should use them.

The Anatomy of Nature shows one of our famous photographers at his reportorial best, photographing his best subject, and offering us new views of many old subjects—much older than man himself. Be you armchair naturalist or cliff-hanger, you'll treasure this book.—J.J.

THE BESELER ENLARGER GUIDE, by Charles Coles. 126 pages, many illustrations. \$1.95. Greenberg: Publisher, New York.

Another in the "Guide" series. Mr. Coles has a broad technical background and supplies accurate information about the enlarger and general enlarging techniques.—J. W.

These and other books are available through MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY Book Store; see advertisement on page 43.

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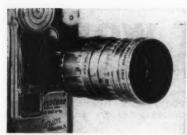
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MODERN TESTS THE GOLDEN NAVITAR

Add the Elgeet Golden Navitar 12mm f/1.2 16mm movie lens to the top-flight lenses available to the amateur movie maker. Certainly it is the first lens employing the aspheric element design that sells for a price, \$129.50, that the amateur can afford.

Most lenses made in the past have used spherical or round elements. A spherical element is one that is a segment of a sphere. However, spherical lenses do not bring the image to a sharp focus. In order to correct for some of the deficiencies of the spherical design, compromises must be made between quality and speed.

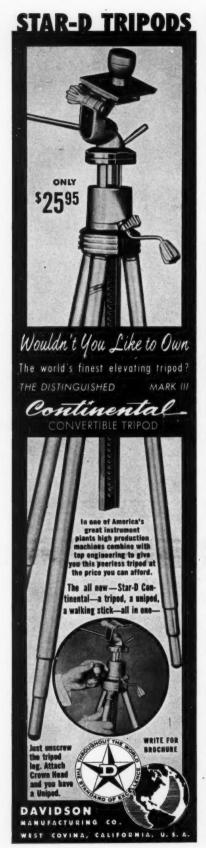
The introduction of an aspheric, or non-spherical, surface into a lens whose other elements are spherical, helps to correct for deficiencies in the rest of the lens system. However, until recently, the grinding of aspheric elements has been a costly business. Elgeet Optical Co. is now marketing an aspheric lens. Aspherics hold promise for ever increasing lens speed. For a more complete discussion of the nature and potential of aspherics see MODERN, June 1956.

The Golden Navitar is a nine-element lens, eight of which are spherical and one aspherical. Its f/1.2 speed makes it the fastest wide-angle movie lens available today.

We tested the lens under a variety of shooting conditions. We found it sharp even at full aperture. In an optical bench test we discovered that its best performance, as far as maximum sharpness is concerned, is at openings from f/4 to f/16. Tests made on the bench at f/2.8, f/2 and f/1.2 substantiated our opinion that the lens was great even at the widest openings.

The Golden Navitar has an angular field of view of 60°, handy for filming in close quarters. The lens has click stops from f/1.2 to f/16 and focuses from one foot to infinity. A depth of field (zone of sharp focus) scale is engraved on the barrel of the lens. A built-in filter retaining ring accepts Series 5.5 filters. The lens is available in a C mount or Kodak mount.—ARNOLD KOTIS





the LAST WORD

Another Country Heard From

Sirs:

The arctic nights up here in Alaska are mighty long during January, about twenty hours long, in fact. As can be expected, hobbies play a vital role in keeping one's sanity. Your magazine seems to have the amazing faculty of hitting upon the very questions that are foremost in my mind, and sure enough, one section just happened to hit upon natural lighting indoors and the importance of catching the subject unaware.



Everyone in the bay is used to my Exakta, so I decided to try lurking in the shadows and see what I could find in the way of lighting and subject matter. Enclosed is one of my favorites, taken at f/2, 1/5 sec. with Plus-X film. What appears to be back lighting is simply the reading lamp on the next bed. The object of interest is an 8mm film splicer and the subjects just happened to create a composition that I couldn't resist.

APO, Seattle, Wash. C. F. Blair, Jr.

Buying Guide, Pro and Con

Sirs:

The camera buying guide published in your December issue is a most remarkable and outstanding compilation of data on cameras.

Mineola, N. Y. S. E. Littauer

Sirs

The December issue of your publication is what I consider the best with its Camera Buying Guide feature. Am planning to buy a second copy and keep them for many years as references, or until you publish a later similar issue.

An issue of a similar nature on 35mm and movie projectors would be in order. Forest Junction, Wisc.

Samuel A. Huebner P. S. Electronic flash units too!!

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What a lousy way to introduce a subscriber to your magazine.... However, I am open-minded enough to give you a second chance.

Cuclid, Ohio Donald A. Sater

Sirs:

Please be advised I just finished reading your Dec. issue of MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY containing the 1957 camera guide and enjoyed it very much.

Newport, R. I. A. V. Oesterling, Jr.

What Do you Think?

Sirs

I have been reading MODERN PHO-TOGRAPHY for more than four years, and I believe that my photographic technique (and certainly my appreciation of photography as an art) has improved considerably as a result.

Most of your articles are straightforward, honest, illuminating. Others—well, I have not wholly agreed with the point of view of some of your more esoteric contributors, but allowing for the difference in tastes of your many readers, I have not been moved to express my disagreement until I read "Let's Kill the Picture Postcard" in the October issue.

Picture postcards are not all bad. Since the advent of Kodachrome the trend has been toward pleasant, tasteful, well-composed pictures. In any selection of postcards taken at random you will find at least a few good Kodachromes, imaginatively executed and excellently reproduced. It seems to me that this trend should be encouraged. Professionals and amateurs alike should be encouraged to submit better pictures to the postcard market, and the markets should be encouraged to raise their standards. Who could do this more effectively than MODERN?

As long as people travel, they will send postcards depicting the places they visit. The better the pictures are, the better it will be for photographers and photography in general. The quality of picture postcards will not be improved by damning them as unartistic or declaring that they should be "killed." The quality of picture postcards might be improved by an article in Modern entitled, say, LET'S RESURRECT (or revitalize or MODERNize) THE PICTURE POSTCARD. Washington, D. C. Herrick R. Peterson

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Ed note: At least one of Modern's editor's agrees with Mr. Peterson.

Beauty Is Where You Find It

Sirs:

I am favorably impressed by your use of the type of article represented by Jacquelyn Judge's discussion of beauty in the October issue (Beauty Is Where You Find It). I, myself, as both conventional photographer and dabbler in full color photograms, haven't missed noticing the tremendous failure of linguistic economy in the current language of photographic aesthetics. Crownsville, Md. Bernard Taylor



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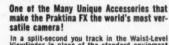
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by ROBERT CRANDALL

Color negative materials and Type C prints; what they are, how they work, some common errors to be avoided.



The introduction by Eastman Kodak of a new color print paper labeled Type C is a natural evolution of the Kodacolor amateur print process. Photographers who have been using the Koda-

color process during the past ten years have seen constant improvement in the quality of Kodacolor negatives and Kodacolor prints. The advantages that amateurs using this product now enjoy can, in part, be traced to the fact that the manufacturer has striven to improve the Kodacolor process for application to the professional and commercial fields. That this has been accomplished can be seen in the introduction to the professional market of Ektacolor "S" cut sheet color negative film and Type C color print paper.

Perhaps some exploration, at this point, into the negative-positive color print field will open up new vistas to the amateur. A discussion of the color negative will be helpful before discussing Kodacolor and Type C prints.

Since late in 1955, the amateur has been enjoying the roll film version (Kodacolor C, formerly known as Kodacolor CU) of Ektacolor "S" negative material, long before the cut sheet professional size appeared on the market. The most obvious improvement in this Kodacolor C roll film is that it was designed for exposure either to daylight or clear flash lamps. Referred to as a universal film, Kodacolor C obviates the necessity of changing films between outdoor and indoor shooting, and its exposure index of 32 (ASA calibrated meters) for daylight and 25 for photoflood assures better pictures over a wide range of light conditions.

What is a universal film?

The term universal does not mean that the photographer can mix light sources of different color qualities, such as daylight and photoflood. Universal does denote that the film has sufficient latitude in the red and blue light sensitive emulsion layers to provide a printable negative image when exposed to a predominantly blue light source (daylight) or a predominantly red light source (clear flash). The three color images making up the color negative are then brought into balance

while the negative is being printed onto the color print paper by varying the quantity of the red, green, or blue in the printing light.

Less obvious, perhaps, is the fact that Kodacolor C has extremely fine grain, which gives a sharpness and clarity of detail that will now allow enlargements from 21/4 x 21/4 negatives up to 16 x 20 inches and larger. The color emulsions of Kodacolor C and Ektacolor "S" films are similar in construction, and both are processed in the same developing solutions.

Both the Kodacolor and Ektacolor emulsions have been designed to give correct color balances at exposures of 1/25 second or shorter. Because color emulsions are not proportionately sensitive at all shutter speeds, it is necessary to caution that time exposures on these emulsions may cause a shift in color balance, thereby producing unprintable results.

For the photographer using sheet film, Eastman also sells an Ektacolor "B" negative film that has been balanced out colorwise for time exposures when using a 3200K light source. Ektacolor "B," however, has been on the market for many years, and is scheduled to be replaced by the newer type Ektacolor emulsion.

Care of color negative films

The Ektacolor and Kodacolor emulsions are extremely sensitive to heat and humidity; therefore, they should be stored in the refrigerator to prevent what is known as "keeping effects." The photographer would do well to plan his shooting of Ektacolor or Kodacolor so that each roll is fully exposed within a matter of two weeks at the most to avoid changes in the latent image (exposed but undeveloped image) of his first exposures. Negative quality can suffer if color processing does not take place within a reasonable time after exposure.

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The Ektacolor and Kodacolor negatives produce an image with a full range of densities equal to that of a black-and-white negative. The exposure can be judged in the same manner as a black-and-white negative, by determining whether or not there is sufficient shadow detail. I would like to caution here, however, that the overall cast of orange predominating in the Ektacolor negative makes overexposure and underexposure difficult to judge. Overexposure can best be judged by a build-up of highlight density that obliterates detail in white areas, while underexposure can be judged by the lack of detail in shadow areas.

Although much has been written about the great latitude of Kodacolor,

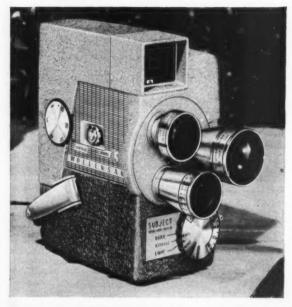
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MODERN COLOR

(Continued from page 20)

my personal experience shows that the exposure range within which the ultimate quality is obtained is only plus or minus ½ f-stop from normal. Beyond this range there will be a definite printing loss in highlight detail or shadow detail, depending on whether over- or underexposed. For secondary quality, a latitude of plus or minus 1½ stops will still give a printable image for the middle tone densities.

Black-and-white prints from color negatives

The important thing to remember is that only a full quality negative can possibly give a quality print. If you have darkroom facilities, you can make black-and-white prints of amazing quality from Kodacolor negatives on Kodabromide No. 3 enlarging paper. Contact paper is too slow for printing Kodacolor negatives, but enlarging paper will provide a method of securing prints and of judging which negatives are suitable for color printing. Many of my photographer clients use this method, and find that it saves money for them. Although the exposure time is lengthy, we have achieved beautiful black-and-white enlargements from Kodacolor negatives.

The color fidelity potential of both Kodacolor and Ektacolor "S" definitely puts each into the professional field; and, as with Kodachrome, the amateur can content himself in knowing that the color film he is using now is of professional quality.

Some shooting suggestions

How to correct for some of the more common faults which show up in Kodacolor printing laboratories:

Too much contrast. Remember that although the Ektacolor negative can hold a full range of tonal densities, it is impossible for any print medium on the market today to reproduce them. So, if you're really after that extra quality, I would suggest flash fill or a white reflector to build up those important shadow details. This will compress the density range of your negative and more accurately reproduce the tonal range of the subject in the positive print. The great difference between the amateur and the professional is the fill light that the professional carefully controls. Conversely, back lighting with the subject in shadow is difficult, due to the fact that there is too little modeling (low contrast) within the subject.

Too small a subject. A good rule of thumb with people as subjects is to come in close, keeping in mind that although the negative is sharp, the print loses a slight amount of definition because of its paper surface and its lower contrast.

Pale colors. Pale and sickly colors often spoil what otherwise would be a good print. The same compression factor of the print paper, particularly

in production printing on wallet size prints, reduces pastels to near-white.

Confusing backgrounds. Remember, you're shooting color and not black-and-white. Don't use the shingles of a house or the backyard. The simpler the background, the better; and, in general, the more colorful, the more pleasing.

Important areas on the edges. In production laboratories, the automatic printing machines mask off a small amount of each negative, so compose your subject so that no important areas are on the edge of the frame.

Sources, materials for printing

Eastman Kodak Co. has been offering and continues to offer a fine Kodacolor print service through its dealers. Most of you have purchased Kodacolor prints, and are fully aware of both the service and the quality. It is also possible for amateurs to obtain color prints at independent laboratories which, like Eastman Kodak Co., are set up with electronic printers and automatic processors to print thousands of Kodacolor negatives each day.

The general quality from such a source is sufficient for the average amateur, but the more advanced amateur who has taken great pains to produce a set of fine negatives oftentimes finds fault with the final result. He must realize that in production printing the color balance is obtained electronically on an overall negative basis, and the results can hardly be compared to a custom print made by methods of selective color balance and exposure. In such a custom print, Type C can satisfy the most critical of color photographers. Designed to yield high quality color prints from Ektacolor and Kodacolor negatives, Type C is coated on a medium weight paper base with a semi-matte or glossy surface. Type C color print paper is just coming out of the pre-production stage in most custom color print laboratories around the country.

At the time this article was written, my color laboratory had produced many reproduction quality color prints on Type C for national advertisers. This is an indication of the ultimate quality possible on Type C, provided, of course, that the original color negative is properly exposed and developed.

Type C print paper can give the printer the same controls he has over black-and-white during the enlarging process. A custom print can be dodged to open shadows, or highlights can be burned in, without affecting color balance. As the print is made in a conventional enlarger, cropping and sizes up to 16 x 20 are no problem.

It is my feeling that this year will see the custom color laboratories offering a custom color print to the ameteur photographer at a fraction of the cost of a Dye Transfer. It is still too early to pinpoint custom print prices, but an 8 x 10 will be in the neighborhood of \$10 to \$20, depending on the quality and production facilities of the individual laboratory.—THE END



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Ways and Means

by ARTHUR ROTHSTEIN

Technical Director of Photography, Look Magazine

An introduction to Reva Brooks, photographer of Mexico; and reports on three new technical advances.



Eight years ago
Reva Brooks was
given a Rolleicord
by her husband,
Leonard, so she
could photograph
his paintings.
Instead, Mrs.
Brooks took pictures of people
and became so
fascinated with
the revealing me-

dium of photography that she became a serious student and is now a professional photographer, represented by the Gamma agency in New York.

Although Reva and Leonard Brooks are natives of Canada, they have taken up residence in Mexico and like living there so much that they are now building a house with a complete darkroom.

On a recent visit to this country, Mrs. Brooks and I had an opportunity to discuss her methods and look at her work. Like many creative workers, her ways and means are extremely simple.

Reva Brooks has graduated from a Rolleicord to a Rolleiflex, and she always uses existing light. She prefers a film like Verichrome Pan for its fine grain combined with relatively high speed. For the same reason, she uses Promicrol for development. Her enlarger is an Omega, and she uses Varigam paper in the BT surface.



Reva Brooks approaches her subjects with warmth and understanding, resulting in such portraits as "Alicia."

Mrs. Brooks worked out her own methods, being quite isolated from other photographers, while living in the town of San Miguel d'Allende.

Working in Mexico, where most photographers succumb to the superficial and picturesque qualities of the country, Reva Brooks has captured a vivid and poignant record of the Mexican people, with the warmth and the understanding which result from a close association and knowledge of their problems and their way of life. She has done this by being both sympathetic and unobtrusive.

Of her photographs Edward Weston said, "I like your way of seeing."

And the artist Tamayo said, "They speak to our heart."

New baseless bulbs by Amplex

The reduction of a flashbulb to its essentials has been accomplished in the Amplex PF1, which eliminates the metal base. The bulb is inserted into a suitable adapter and bulb ejector that remains permanently in the flashgun.

This type of bulb has been in use in Europe for some time and flashguns designed specifically for baseless bulbs are available there. American manufacturers are expected to design and produce flashguns that accept the bulb directly, too.

For the amateur, the low price of 8 for 49c is a great advantage. I found also that the baseless bulbs weigh less and take up less space, and cupped hands can easily hold 24 of them. The PF1 has a guide number of 145 with fast films at 1/100 second. For use with daylight type color, the PF1B has a guide number of 40 at 1/50 sec. with Anscochrome and Ektachrome.

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Prints from scratched negatives

Photographers who print from miniature or sub-miniature negatives must cope with the problem of surface lint, dust, scratches and fingerprints. These small imperfections result from handling and filing the negatives as well as from the passage of the film through the camera.

According to Dr. C. Guy Suits, Director of Research at General Electric, most of this damage is on the film base or the gelatine overcoating. The scratches are magnified during the considerable enlargement of the small negatives, and tend to refract the light rays excessively, resulting in spots and white lines on the print.

One expedient has been to use a material like Vaseline to fill in these scratches. However, such a material is messy, attracts more dust, and is hard to remove.

Some time ago, Dr. Suits announced

that if film were immersed in a silicone liquid compound which he called Refractasil, the scratches and defects would become invisible, because this liquid has the same index of refraction as the emulsion. (This was first reported in the Oct. 1954 issue of MODERN.)

Further, the silicone liquid is water white, nontoxic, does not affect film, is odorless, of the proper viscosity, with just the right vapor pressure so that it does not evaporate while in use, and does not stick to the film when wiped off.

The practical application of this discovery required the design of a suitable negative carrier. This has just been produced by Simmon Brothers. Called the Refractamatic 35, it will sell for \$97.50 and by its use, perfect prints may be made from scratched or damaged negatives (see illustration, page 30).

Viewing device for tele lenses

One of the problems with telephoto lenses is that as they get longer, focus-



New viewing and focusing device for tele lenses. Here, Astro 300mm f/3.5 with Kilarscope and 6x30 monocular.

ing is more critical and the angle of view is narrower. In sports and other forms of action photography, a quick method of focusing and following the subject accurately is a necessity. This problem has been solved by an ingenious device built for Look Magazine by Fred Weiner of Photokraft Co., 133 E. 43rd St., New York City.

The telephoto lens is used with a reflex housing for focusing.

Because of the difficulty of seeing when the lens is stopped down, half of a 6 x 30 binocular is mounted on a bracket near the eyepiece of the reflex housing. This "monocular" has an adjustment for parallax correction, an individual focusing eyepiece, and a rectangle drawn in the eyepiece to indicate the exact field of view. There is enough of the scene visible outside the rectangle to aid in following action and capturing the best moment.

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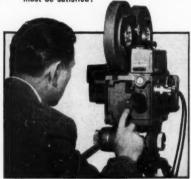
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by MABEL SCACHERI

Camera club libraries can pay for themselves, and even show a profit for your club treasury.



When I visit the quarters of those camera clubs fortunate enough to have a permanent club home, they show me their darkroom with two or three or enlargers. their big print washer, their big

new screen for projecting slides, their handy shelves and cupboards built with their own loving hands, but seldom do I see a capacious set of shelves to hold a club library. How come?

Such a library would be a form of protection for the advanced members, it seems to me. They are always being asked questions by the beginners, naturally, and many of the queries do sound rather in the vein of little Johnny's "Daddy, what keeps the sky from falling on our heads?" You can't send Johnny to a book, but you can place some very helpful volumes in the hands of those tyros who ask what is depth of field, circle of confusion, covering power of a lens, focal length, reciprocity failure, F, X, and M sync, chemical fog, dodging-all the photo

The human race being what it is, you had better keep your photo books in a locked cupboard, and have members sign up for the books they take out. Charge a fee, a few cents a week, with a time limit on the use of each book, and the library will pay for itself and even show a profit for the treasury.

Where to look for books

Now, just what books shall you buy for your club? A simple first step is to write for a free book catalog to Amphoto, 33 W. 60th St., New York 23, the book-publishing affiliate of MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY. They have hundreds of books listed by subject, indexed by title and by author's name, with special lists of new books and outstanding books.

Appearing on both lists is The Amateur's Guide to Better Pictures, by H. S. Zims and R. W. Burnett; 160 pages for only \$1.95. That should answer a lot of those "little Johnny" questions.

Color slides are the big interest of many camera clubs nowadays, so you might consider Walter Benzer's Color Magic, and Slides, Mounting, Projection and Storing by Norman Roths-child and George B. Wright. The latter might keep your beginners from bungling up their slide-mounting so that each slide sticks and balks going through the projector.

Books on lighting and on flash, especially electronic flash, will help your new members to get much more out of lighting demonstrations at your club. I've never seen a demonstration yet in which the demonstrator made his lamp placement really clear.

Don't neglect the picture books

Among the most useful books for beginners and advanced members alike are the "picture books," collections of fine photographs to study and discuss, such as The Europeans by H. Cartier-Bresson, or the photographic annuals, such as the German annual, or Hall and Burton's Photography Yearbook. Prices of these collections are higher than most photo manuals and how-todo-it books, so a good many amateurs merely yearn for but do not own these highly instructive examples of what a camera can do in the right hands. By all means have some samples of fine photographs on your library shelves.
One trait of beginners, and also

those who should be wiser, is to crave a book on a specific camera. To be sure, all cameras work the same, basically, but the fans want a special opus on the Leica, the Nikon, the Rollei, etc. Fritz Henle's Guide to Rollei Photography, by Fritz Henle and George B. Wright, is a new one your club would thrive on, and you will find a lot more such guide books, at \$1.95 each, listed on page 21 of the Amphoto catalog.

A new edition, the thirty-third printing, of All in One Camera Book by W. D. Emanuel is now available, at \$2.50, full of pictures and useful information. And all photographers eagerly comb through the British
Journal Photographic Almanac for formulas and photo tips. Also \$2.50.

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Every shutterbug photographs his children or his nieces and nephews, and he will be much better at it if he first reads Child Photography the Modern Way by Josef Schneider, \$4.95.

For some reason, the less expert an amateur is the more he revels in trying photographic tricks. For these people there is All the Photo Tricks by Edwin

Smith, at \$3.75.

As you know, a magic phrase today "available light." Just how poor can the light be and still give you a printable negative? Your club can wise up on this topic by reading Available

Light and Your Camera, an Amphoto volume, at \$5.

Most camera clubs harbor a good many ambitious members who think they might some day go in for professional photography, especially in that field supposed to be so full of wild adventure, photojournalism. For them there is a first rate book with more than 200 pictures, Photojournalism: Pictures for Magazines and Newspapers, by Arthur Rothstein, technical director of Look magazine's photo department, and one of the best in the business. (See page 78 for more about this new book.) The price is \$5.95.

Lenses are a matter of mystery to a great many amateurs, and it is far easier to master the facts from a book than from listening to the rambling remarks of a guest speaker. You will find a number of books listed under optics in the Amphoto catalog, one of the newest being Optics, the Technique of Definition, by Arthur Cox, \$5.75.

I'd say without fear of successful contradiction that one kind of photography the shutterbugs do least well is portraiture. Several books are listed under this heading. Composition is also a scare-word to beginners, who can learn the terminology and the sound old rules from Making Effective Photographs by L. Whitney Standish, \$4.95.

In fact, most of those "little Johnny" questions from beginners arise from the awesome photographic vocabulary, bound to strike a chill to the heart of the uninitiated. The easiest way to clear up the meaning of the various terms is obviously to consult a photographic dictionary. A new one is Dictionary of Photography by A. L. M. Sowerby, \$10.

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Probably I should not have left until last those vital subjects of film processing and making good enlargements. In the darkroom, that's where beginners really come up with the questions! True, you can't learn darkroom work entirely from a book, or at least not easily, but if your beginners will read up on the subject first, before you put them through their paces by actually doing the deed in the darkroom, they will catch on much faster. Many good books are listed under developing, printing, and enlarging.

No one of the books I have mentioned is fabulously expensive, but add up the price of all the books club members would just love to have handy for reference and the sum is more than some of them could spare. It is not too much for the club, however, since, as I pointed out, the rental fees soon pay for the books, and eventually even add up to a profit for the club treasury.

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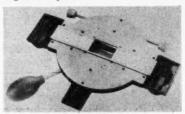
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pressure from sharp objects many times greater than before application of Film Guard. Film Guard is also beneficial for old film, states the manufacturer. Film Guard may be applied with a cotton swab or other soft material, or large batches may be dipped. Price of a 2 oz. bottle is \$2. For more information, write: SUSSEX CHEMICAL CO.

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Refractamatic for Scratched Negs

The Refractamatic 35 is a negative carrier that makes it possible to obtain perfect prints from scratched or otherwise damaged negatives, according to Simmon Bros., Inc. The unit consists of a 35mm negative carrier and a reservoir containing Refractasil, a silicone liquid developed by Dr. C. Guy Suits, General Electric Co. vice president. The negative is placed in the carrier and a



filtered stream of Refractasil is passed filtered stream of Refractasil is passed over the negative by means of pressure on a rubber bulb. The liquid has the same index of light refraction as the emulsion on the film, and thus is said to render scratches invisible. The liquid is aimed at curing damage to the film base and gelatin overcoat, rather than the silver image-bearing area in between. According to the manufacturer. when the liquid is wiped off it leaves the negative dry and clean. Estimated price of the Refractamatic 35 is \$97.50. For additional information, write:

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Yankee Viewer for 21/4 x 21/4 Color



A new slide viewer announced by Yankee Photo Products, called the Rex, is designed for viewing 2½ x 2½ transparencies. It features two separate slots, one accept-

mounts, the other 2% x 2% mounts. It also has a focusing eyepiece with large lens. The eyepiece may be removed for cleaning. The entire area of the transparency is visible, with no corner cutoff, according to the manufacturers. The viewer is molded from mahogany-colored styrene. Price is \$3.95. For more information write:

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Ray-Tone Portable Screens

A new portable projection screen, available in sizes from 30 x 40 in. to 70 x 70 in., has been introduced by Ray-Tone Screen Corp. Called the Black Beauty, the screen features a cam action swivel which automatically swings the case at an angle as it is placed in the horizontal position. This swivel allows placement of the screen's tripod legs 120° apart for maximum stability. All metal parts of the portable screen are finished in buffed chrome except the case and handle, which are satin black enamel. End caps and swivel are made of die castings. The slat bar sup-

porting the screen fabric when the screen is in use is triangular. The apex of the slat bar slides down into the screen case, sealing out dust and dirt. The screen itself is made of vinyl fabric, flameproof and mildewproof, according to the manufacturer. It is available in beaded or matte white at the same price. Prices for the screen range from \$28.50 for the 30 x 40 in. size to \$58.50 for the 70 x 70 model. For more information, write:

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An underwater case for the Bolex H-16 movie cameras has been an-nounced by Pail-lard Products, Inc.

nounced by Paillard Products, Inc.

The all-metal housing has been designed for operation down to 330 feet, far beyond normal diving limits. One lever holds all H-16 cameras in spring motor wind can be operated by means of watertight controls while submerged. The footage counter is visible from outside the housing. The diaphragm control consists of a collar that slips over the lens and is locked in place by knurled knobs. A gear leads to the outside watertight control. The arrangement has been calibrated for the Switar 10mm f/1.6, Switar 16mm f/1.8 and the Yvar 16mm f/2.8 lenses. A scale on the outside of the housing indicates the lens opening. The case is supplied with a filter for increased contrast when shooting black-and-white film. Price, including two wrenches, is \$600. For more information write:

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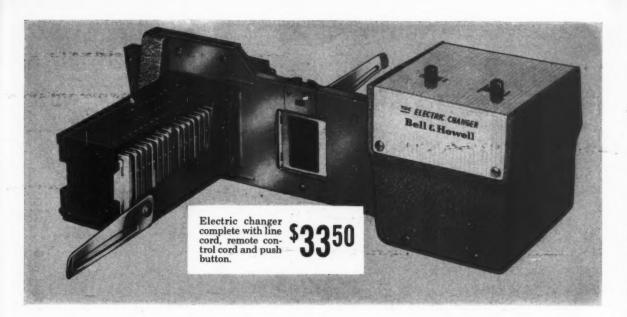
New Stereo Viewer Has Magazine



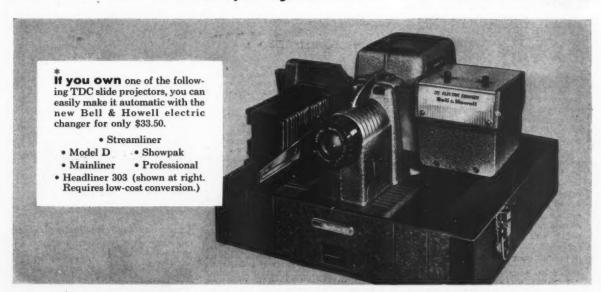
The Arrow-View The Arrow-View 3-D Automatic stereo viewer features magazine operation. A magazine containing ten slides may be loaded into the viewer and the slides viewed one after the other without need for

slides viewed one after the other without need for manual insertion and withdrawal for the next slide. After the slides have been loaded into the slotted magazine, the magazine is placed in the viewer. Viewing is started by moving the magazine to a position indicated by two arrows. The arrows are located alongside the slot into which the stereo slides go for viewing. When a lever at the right side of the viewer is depressed, two things happen. First, the magazine is moved by gears so that the first slide is positioned directly over the slot. The slides rest on two metal tongues in the slot itself. Second, the two tongues are depressed, carrying the slide down in front of the viewing lamp. The lamp goes on, and the slide is viewed. When pressure cn the lever is released, the spring-operated tongues return the slide to the magazine. Pressing the lever again moves the magazine so that the second slide is in position and falls into place for viewing. When all ten slides have been viewed, the magazine is returned to the starting point by turning a knob, also on the right side of the viewer. The viewer has a focusing knob and an interocular adjustment knob for adjusting individually for the stereo effect. The Arrow-View may be operated on two D cells and a General Electric 245 bulb. It may be converted to AC operabulb. It may be converted to AC opera-

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tion by means of a 110-volt converter. A GE 656 lamp is used for AC. The Arrow-View is made of plastic. Price of the viewer, including batteries, bulb, and one magazine, is \$19.95. Price of additional magazines is two for 95¢. The AC converter price is \$4.95. For additional information write: ARROW METAL PRODUCTS
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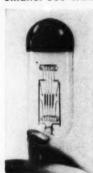
Solid Walnut Slide File



A new solid walnut slide file is designed with a top lid and bottom drawer. The Nega-File chest comes in three models. One, the CH-100, holds two hundred 2 x 2 slides in metal mounts. It is slotted to hold slides individually. Another model, the CH-250, holds up to 1500 cardboard-mounted slides. The slides can be grouped together with tagged cardboard separators employed to identify the groups. As many slides as required may be stacked for a particular grouping. This chest will hold about 750 slides in metal mounts. The third model, CH-PL-20, is designed to accommodate 48 slide boxes of the type in which many processors now return finished slides. Solid brass hardware is used throughout, and includes name plate, lid stand, hinges, and drawer pulls. Price of the CH-100, CH-250, and CH-PL-20 is \$28.50 each. The CH-001, a chest without liners, sells for \$25.50. For additional information write:

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Smaller 500-Watt GE Lamp



A new, shorter 500-watt projection lamp has been introduced by General Electric Co.'s Photo Lamp Div. Called the EDK, the lamp has a bayonet base, an aid to cuting down the ting down the overall size of the lamp. The lamp measures 4½ in. high, or about 2 in. high, or about 2 in.
less than the usual
500-watt projection lamp. It has
a black ceramic
top and built-in
fuse. The fuse is a
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high current, offering protection for home circuits and projector. The EDK has an all-welded construction with no soldered or moving parts. It is designed for 25 hours of life. The lamp is similar in size to existing 300-watt lamps but is not interchangeable with them. Price is \$4. For additional information write: GENERAL ELECTRIC CO.

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B&H Wide-Angle Attachment



A new Bell & Howell wide-angle attachment affording 125 percent more field of view than the regular than the regular 10mm lens, according to the manufacturer, is now available for all Wilshire and Monterey Sun Dial 8mm cameras. The attachment threads directly into the

lens barrel of all B&H Sun Dial cameras. It is said to need no exposure adjustment and to yield sharp images at subject-to-camera distances as close as 6 in. With the introduction of the wide-angle attachment, the B&H Sun Dial cameras will be equipped with a new viewfinder window covering the wider angle of view. A viewfinder adapter kit for cameras already in use is available. Price of the wide-angle attachment is \$22.95, including a filter holder and retaining ring for Size 5 filters. Price of the adapter kit is \$2.50. For additional information write: BELL & HOWELL CO. BELL & HOWELL CO. 7100 MCCORMICK RD., CHICAGO, ILL.

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The new Beseler The new Beseler Glossomatt Model 400 dryer is designed to have a capacity of 50 8 x 10 prints per hour. The dryer has a rotary drum of highly rolished of highly polished, seamless, stainless

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HPI Super Slide Kit

The Hudson Photographic Industries, Inc., is marketing a new Master Kit for all 2½ x 2½ reflex cameras that permits you to shoot Super Slide transparencies for projection in 35mm slide projectors. Included in the kit is a mask that slips over the regular ground glass of the camera. The mask is of transparent material with the Super Slide field shown in red. Regular size pictures



can also be readily composed through the mask. When film is returned from the processor a stainless steel compos-ing-cropping template is placed over the transparencies. A steel-tipped film scriber is used to etch the outline of the slide. The etched outline is a frac-tion layers than the regular Super Slide the slide. The etched outline is a fraction larger than the regular Super Slide size of 1½ x 1½-in. After etching, the slide is cut with scissors. The transparency is then mounted in a Super Slide binder. Outside size of the binder is 2 x 2. Price of the HPI Master kit is 3.95, including camera mask, template, film scriber, and 25 cardboard binders. For more information, write: HUDSON PHOTOGRAPHIC INDUSTRIES MOUNT AIRY RD., CROTON-ON-HUDSON, N. Y.

Low-Priced Mansfield Projector



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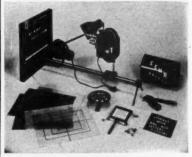
nounces the Mansfield Holiday 8mm movie projector, with 400-ft. reel capacity. The projector is of all-aluminum die-cast construction, with a coated 1 in. f/1.6 and high intensity blower for cooling. It has permanently lubricated bearings in all moving parts. The Holiday sells for \$59.95. Case for the projector is priced at \$7.95. For additional information, write:

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the YOUNG photographer

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Photographing wild animals can be safe and satitsfying—when you shoot from an animal blind.



Out in the Arizona desert, about 14 miles from Tucson, is a manmade water hole that attracts almost as many photographers as it does thirsty, four-footed denizens of the sagebrush.

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Here is an animal blind, built at the end of a deep natural gully, just a dozen feet from the water hole. Desert animals come from miles around to drink—and unwittingly to pose for the photograpers who wait quietly in the blind.

Lack of rainfall, and the location of the water hole in Tucson Mountain Park, a wildlife sanctuary of about 30,000 acres, have made many of the wild animals tame enough to visit it regularly. Result is that each has brought pleasure and thrills to hunters who shoot with a camera instead of a gun.

The animal blind was built by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in 1954 as an experiment for the use of its members who wished to photograph wild animals. The experiment proved so successful that a waiting list is kept for those who wish to use the blind. Reservations for its use have been received from every state in the Union, and even from foreign countries.

Hunting from an armchair

The blind itself is a small building, 12 feet long by 4 feet wide. Four windows with wide shelves for cameras overlook the water hole. One side of the water hole is framed by a saguaro (giant cactus) and on the other side is a goat nut bush. The front of the blind is literally covered with reflectors to hold flashbulbs. With color film, four flashbulbs, No. 5B's or No. 25B's. are fired at once, giving an "open flash" exposure of 1/50 second. With blackand-white film, No. 5 or No. 25 flashbulbs are used. We found that a lens opening of f/32 gives perfect negatives when developed in a medium-fine grain developer such as Eastman Kodak D-23.

A 15-watt electric bulb burns 24

hours a day, permitting the photographer to select his pose on even the darkest nights. Inside the blind are four comfortable chairs and a carpet which extends from wall to wall to deaden the sound of footsteps or low whispers.

Patience reaps rewards

The animals that appear at the water hole vary from day to day. A dozen or more deer will come in each night during the dry season. Peccaries, sometimes called wild pigs, come in bands of 6 to 15. They are unpredictable and sometimes visit the water hole every night for some time, then leave the area for weeks. Skunks come and go; two kinds are usually seen, the hooded and the spotted. They are the "kings of the water hole." All other animals stand back while they drink!

Only those photographers who can sit very quietly are rewarded with a glimpse of gray foxes, ring-tailed cats, raccoons, and coyotes.

A few times each year, members of the Badger Camera Clickers, school photography club at the Tucson (Arizona) High School, take a field trip to this blind.



Thirsty desert pair were captured by Douglass Lindsay, age 17, at animal blind near Tucson, Arizona.

It is a thrilling experience to watch the wild animals come up to the water hole—slowly, one step at a time. It seems like hours before they reach the hole and the flashbulbs can be fired. The animals are gone in a wink, but will appear again if all is quiet. The deer are not frightened by soft talk, or the sight of cameras.

The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum people are wonderfully cooperative with photographers—young and not-so-young—who use the animal blind. If you plan to visit this area, and would like to spend an evening here yourself, write to Mr. Lewis W. Walker, Assoc. Director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, at P. O. Box 5602, Tucson, Ariz.—THE END



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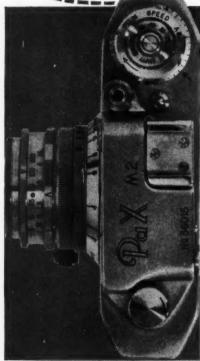
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Speed light and Polaroid Land Camera—a terrific combination, for some kinds of pictures.



Some time ago I got into a project that involved shooting about 1,500 action pictures under carecontrolled fully conditions. I used a pair of Land cameras, so I could examine each shot immediately after taking

it. For illumination, there were three small, amateur-type electronic flash units-one set off by the camera's contacts, the other two by slave units. This experience demonstrated to me that speed lights and Land cameras go well together-for certain kinds of photographic jobs.

Which camera to use?

You cannot take speed light pictures with an unmodified Model 95, nor with any Model 80 Highlander camera. They don't have proper synchronization systems for speed light. With Models 95A, 100, and 700 you can use speed light at settings 4,5,6,7, and 8, but not at 3,2, and 1. The speed light connection for these cameras is shown below.

The Model 110 Pathfinder may be used with speed light at any shutter speed. However, the little sync selector lever must be set to X.

It was my experience that for quality there was no noticeable difference between speed light shots made with the Model 110 Pathfinder and Model 95A Speedliner. Of course, the faster lens and more flexible exposure controls of the 110 were an advantage.



WHERE TO CONNECT: This is speed light connection on Model 95A, 100, and 700 Polaroid Land cameras. If connecting cord doesn't match this, small adapter wires are available.

You can make good use of a speed light if your flashbulb costs are high due to shooting very many pictures, or if you are consistently handicapped by a flashbulb's inability to stop fast indoor action.

You don't need a speed light if you just shoot occasional flash pictures, or if flashbulbs can cope with all your action-stopping problems.

It has been my experience that for average family snapshooting, at parties, family gatherings, etc., the compact, lightweight Polaroid flashgun with bounce flash bracket is a more satisfactory choice than any of the speed lights. Main reason for this is that I have not discovered any small, inexpensive speed light which can match a No. 5 flashbulb for light output. They are sufficiently powerful for direct flash, but they can't flood a room with bounce flash light the way a No. 5 flashbulb can.

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Unquestionably, speed lights are much more effective than flashbulbs for stopping action such as that of the bed-bouncing youngster (below). The



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brief flash duration (about 1/1,000 sec. is the usual range for amateur units) stops even violent action, although the camera's shutter is clicking at only 1/100 sec.

This also helps to stop involuntary subject movements during portraiture or when taking informal group shots.

Aside from these obvious advantages, speed light pictures have a certain "plus" quality about them. Polaroid Land films respond remarkably well to the daylight-like quality of the flash. Brilliant highlights and rich shadows, but with detail in both, are characteristic of well-exposed pictures. Details are sharp, and if you handle the light properly, almost incredible textures can be brought out in the print.

How to set up the lights

In my work with speed lights, I found that best results were had with the flash off the camera, either held by an assistant or on a light stand or other support. A long extension cord provided connection to the camera.

If your subject and type of picture are suitable, wonderfully strong lighting can be had by placing a speed light on each side; one is set off by a connecting cord to the camera, the other by means of a slave unit which is triggered by the flash of the first unit.

In a moderate-size room, two speed lights can also be used for bounce light. Set each on a light stand or other support about one-quarter of the room's length in from the end of the room. This is particularly useful with the Model 110 Pathfinder.

Which film to use?

Under most circumstances, Type 44 is the best film to use with one or two of the small speed lights. It's a must if you're trying bounce flash. It's also desirable for direct flash, with the speed light off the camera, for its high speed lets you use small lens openings (with more chance of getting everything in sharp focus). Also, you can place the light further from the subject than if you were using a slower film, such as Type 42. This is an advantage, as it means that small movements of your subject do not cause noticeable changes in exposure.

When using speed light, development for 1½ minutes seems to give more satisfactory results than the standard one-minute development.

How to figure exposure

Not much has been published about this, mainly because of the wide variations in speed lights. However, it's easy to compile your own exposure guide, as follows:

Seat someone on a straight chair a few feet from the wall in an average room. Use just enough light to see what you're doing. Mount the speed light on or next to the camera, 10 ft. from the subject.

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Now make a series of exposures, using settings No. 4,5,6,7, and 8. Develop each for 11/2 minutes. Pick out the one with the best skin tones and general illumination. Let's say it's No. 6.

Using that as a basis, the following settings should also give correct exposure: At 14 ft., one number lower than at 10 ft.; at 20 ft., two numbers lower than at 10 ft. At 7 ft., one number higher than at 10 ft.; at 5 ft., two numbers higher. You can check these by making test exposures. Write this information down in the form of an exposure guide and attach it to your speed light.

If the speed light is powerful enough for bounce flash (or when using two lights simultaneously), you can use the same technique for working out a bounce flash guide.

With the Model 110 Pathfinder, follow the same direct flash test procedure. Set the shutter for 1/100 sec. Start with f/4.5 and close the lens down one f-number with each exposure. Pick the best print and note the f-number of that exposure (let's suppose it is f/16). Multiply that number by 10-the result, 160, is your guide number. For other distances, simply divide the guide number by your speed light-to-subject distance in feet and that should be pretty close to the correct lens opening to use.-THE END

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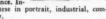
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Automatic processing of film by amateurs may be just around the corner. Equipment to handle it, not yet announced, has been demonstrated.



Considering all of the mechanical in genuity we Americans bragabout and our distaste for doing things by hand, it is a wonder that amateur photographers have not risen in revolt against the lack of equipment for

processing films more or less automatically.

There have been a few improvements in amateur film processing equipment in recent years, such as simplified ways of getting roll films onto developing reels for white-light tank development. But the film has to be hand agitated, solutions changed for succeeding steps, and timing controlled manually by setting clocks. The situation is even worse in the case of sheet film processing. Here every step is manual and the operation is essentially a darkroom procedure. I say "essentially" because with color films, white light is permissible from the second exposure on.

In commercial photofinishing, films are almost invariably processed on machines that automatically transfer the films from one solution to the next at preset time intervals. Agitation is also automatic via reciprocating vanes or intermittent gaseous bursts, plus continuous circulation of the solutions. When such equipment is properly used, the results are much more consistent than those obtainable by manual methods. But commercial film processing equipment is designed for large volumes of production, whereas the amateur is usually interested in putting through only a few rolls or sheets of film at a time. Yet, with just one roll or one sheet, the same number of steps and the same problems of control are involved as in processing hundreds of rolls.

What the amateur needs is a greatly scaled-down piece of equipment that will perform the same functions as the larger machines at a cost within his reach. Obviously the cost would have to be much greater than that required for a few film hangers or reels and associated tanks, but show me the (Continued on page 42)



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amateur who would not be willing to pay considerably more for his processing equipment if all he had to do was load it with film and walk away until processing was complete.

Small scale equipment on way

It was my privilege to witness recently a private demonstration of an automatic processing machine small enough to meet the needs of active amateur photographers. I admit that the equipment is not for the amateur who processes only a couple of films a month. It is still too large to put away in a kitchen cabinet, but not too large to install in the corner of one's basement. And even smaller units than the one demonstrated to me may be considered by the manufacturer later on because the principle of the mechanism is such that this is possible.

The first public showing of this small-scale automatic processing machine will take place at the International Photographic Exposition to be held at the National Guard Armory in Washington, D. C., from March 22 to 31. At this writing I cannot tell you the name of the manufacturer. There is no secret about it, but a new firm is being organized for manufacturing the equipment and its name has not been determined. Even the price has not been announced; however, it is thought that the first model will be low enough to attract many advanced amateurs and that later models will be within the cost range suitable for any active amateur. If this becomes true, then we can say that a new era in amateur film processing is on its way.

How the equipment works

The first model of the new machine was designed for sheet film processing. The steps to adapt it for roll film processing are straightforward and this is planned for the future. The machine consists essentially of the following:

- a) solution tanks fitted into a water bath
- b) an overhead, end-supported bar on which the film hangers are supported and along which the films travel from solution to solution
- c) a control box mounted between the overhead bar and the film hangers
- d) a fixture for mounting the film hangers which incorporates a vane agitator

Once the tanks are filled with the processing solutions and are brought to proper temperature by the temperature-controlled water bath the films to be processed are placed in hangers and these are inserted into the special fixture which hangs by rods from the overhead bar. Between this fixture and the overhead bar is the control box.

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mounted on the same set of rods. The control box contains a small motor which operates the reciprocating vane agitator. It also has a motor which then carries the entire unit to the next solution tank. The film hangers are automatically lowered into this solution, whereupon the vane agitator again begins to operate.

The travel of the unit from one tank position to the next is accomplished by a gear engaged in teeth along the horizontal overhead bar. The distance of travel is determined by adjustable stops that actuate a roller microswitch which, in turn, causes the film hanger assembly to be lowered into the solution.

The timing in any solution is controlled by an adjustable interval timing mechanism which is electrically connected with the rest of the device so that at the end of a given time period the vane agitator stops, the film hanger assembly rises, and the transport to the next solution tank takes place.

Black-and-white or color

The machine can be used for processing black-and-white films or color lms. Sufficient tank positions are provided for color processes requiring the greatest number of solutions. Therefore, for black-and-white films, only the number of tanks necessary are filled with solution and the adjustable stops on the overhead bar are set accordingly. The lifted film hanger assembly will travel along the supporting bar until it contacts one of the stops. Thus, for black-and-white films, where only four or five tanks are necessary, only the first part of the machine is needed, and after the final wash the unit is transported across the remaining tanks to the end of the machine.

For color film processing the film hanger assembly is dropped into a chamber containing a fluorescent light source for second exposure. In this step the vane agitator does not function.

Once films are loaded into the machine with the transport and film hanger assembly in the first position the machine can be turned on and forgotten about until a signal indicates the end of processing. However, a separate transport and film hanger unit can be used so that a second batch of films can be started after the first batch has traveled beyond a certain point, depending upon the processing times. That is, the second unit cannot be started until the first unit is far enough along to assure that it will not be overtaken by the second unit.

The model of the machine demonstrated to me processes eight 4×5 in. films (or equivalent) at a time. Two 8×10 in. hangers, for example, providing space for four 5×7 in. films, would make the unit suitable for small

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This new automatic processing machine may not be the final answer for the amateur, but it points in the right direction. There is certainly no reason why it should not be possible to make processing automatic on a small-scale basis, and once the trend gets started I believe we can depend upon American mechanical ingenuity to bring it about.—THE END

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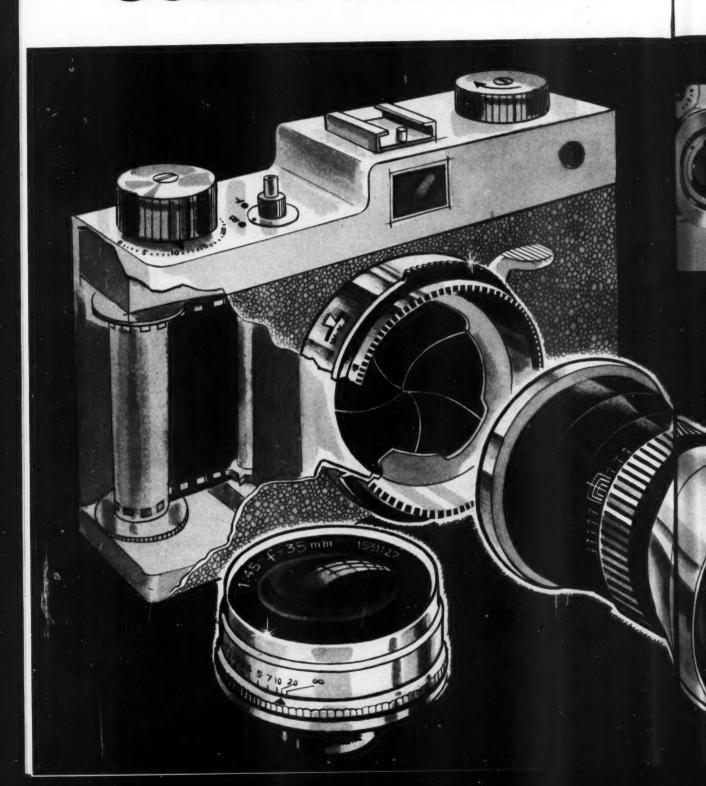
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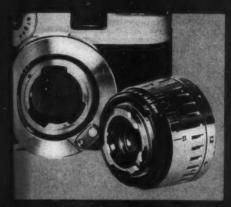
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35MM CAMERA



OF THE FUTURE?



Drawing shows location of shutter behind interchangeable lenses. Above is how it looks in Argus C-44, with lens in fast handling bayonet mount.



BEHIND-LENS SHUTTER 35 IS COMING TO FORE. HOW GOOD CAN IT BE?

THE MOST FASCINATING new 35mm camera design in years! That was the reaction of many observers to a recently unveiled rash of German-made 35's with leaf type shutters behind interchangeable lenses.

Here, it seemed, was the answer to a sticky design problem: How to combine in one moderate priced package the picture taking flexibility of a focal plane shutter camera with interchangeable lenses, and the undeniable advantages of the leaf type shutter for flash and speed light work. The latter type of shutter is that usually found in cameras with non-interchangeable lenses; the shutter leaves customarily are located between the lens elements.

Question: Have the designers solved their problems successfully? And more questions: Is this a new idea? Why the sudden interest in such a design? Can such behind-lens shutter 35's rank with the focal plane shutter cameras in picture taking ability? Just how good can these cameras be? Is this really the 35mm camera of the future?

To try to find accurate answers to these questions we went to the experts—to optical experts and lens designers, to shutter makers, to camera engineers; even to photographic historian Beaumont Newhall, to get some of the history of behind-the-lens shutters.

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CAMERA OF THE FUTURE? (Continued)

The idea of putting a leaf type shutter behind interchangeable lenses is not new at all. Pre-turn-of-thecentury photographic catalogues show a whole breed of well made, hand held cameras (larger than 35mm, of course) featuring a range of lenses to fit in front of a leaf shutter. These were known as Jumelle cameras.

Even among modern day 35's behind-lens shutters can hardly be called a novelty. You'll find one on the Argus C-3, a camera which has been sold in astronomical numbers, and on the later model C-4 and C-44. Carl Braun of Nurnberg, Germany, recently announced production of the one millionth Paxette, a 35 now fitted with interchangeable lenses. And other German and Japanese manufacturers have turned out behind-lens shutter 35's, with and without interchangeable lenses. However, the big news came only last Fall.

It was at the Cologne Photokina (see Modern, Jan. 1957) that specially designed behind-lens shutters and lens mounts were announced by Friedrich Deckel and Alfred Gauthier, Europe's leading shutter manufacturers, and suppliers of shutters to most of the German camera industry. At the same time, camera and lens makers displayed a variety of products designed around the new shutters. Obviously, a great new effort had been made to up the status of behind-lens shutters.

Why the sudden interest?

Amateurs have seen what professionals can do with wide-angle and long distance lenses, and they want to do the same. But, even more urgently, they also want to shoot flash and speed light, and for this a leaf type is more flexible than a focal plane shutter, the type found on most makes of interchangeable lens 35's.

That's the way it looks to Dr. Frank G. Back, president of Zoomar, Inc., a top rank optical expert, and an enthusiastic picture taker himself. Add to these pressures the fact that several million behind-lens shutter 35's have been bought and used successfully by amateurs, and you have a climate friendly to the launching of new cameras of this type. And with Gauthier and Deckel both making special shutter assemblies, and several lens makers mounting optics to fit them, it now becomes no problem at all for camera manufacturers to switch to the behind-the-lens design.

How do you design a camera?

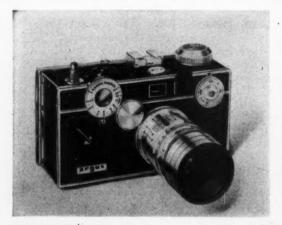
Design of any camera is a compromise between a number of conflicting interests. This is particularly the case where the shutter is behind the lens. Dr. Back summed it up for us as follows:

The lens maker wants the shutter blades to open as wide as possible in proportion to the light path of the lens, so they won't interfere with free passage of the light to the film.

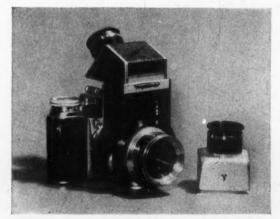
The shutter maker would like the blade opening to be as small as possible, so the blades don't have to travel so far so fast, thus permitting him to use light springs and small assemblies, and to attain high speeds with maximum efficiency. So he wants the shutter blades to intersect the light path at its narrowest point, which is somewhere between the elements of the lenses.

The camera manufacturer also wants the shutter to be small, so as not to bulk up the camera. And he wants the mechanism buried inside the camera body so it's easy to attach controls to it. And he'd like it to have high speeds, to increase the (Continued on page 106)

ARE BEHIND-LENS SHUTTER 35MM CAMERAS RELIABLE, VERSATILE,



RUGGED: Behind-lens shutter cameras can be as dependable and sturdy as any other type. Probably most noteworthy example is Argus C-3, which has been produced in great numbers and has established enviable record for not breaking down. It's shown here with German-made 100mm f/4.5 lens attached.



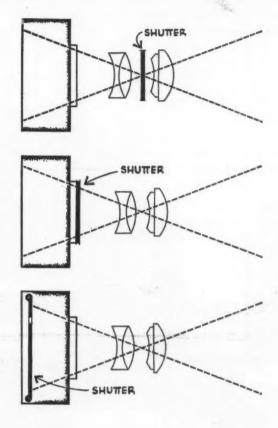
ELABORATE: Voigtlander Prominent has formidable system of lenses, accessories, attachments to make it suitable for wide range of uses. Here it is with 100mm f/5.5 Telomar lens in reflex housing. Prominent's 50mm f/1.5 Nokton is fastest standard lens currently supplied for behind-lens shutter 35mm cameras.

HERE ARE THREE MOST COMMON TYPES OF 35MM CAMERA SHUTTERS

BETWEEN-THE-LENS: This is type usually found on 35mm cameras with non-interchangeable lenses. Located between two lens elements, its blades open and close near narrowest point in light path of lens, thus do not have to travel far. This permits use of relatively small parts, promotes efficiency.

BEHIND-THE-LENS: Shutter mechanism is located in camera body, entirely behind rearmost lens element. Note that light path is wider than at usual between-lens shutter location. All other things being equal, shutter blades must be larger, must travel further than if shutter is between lens elements.

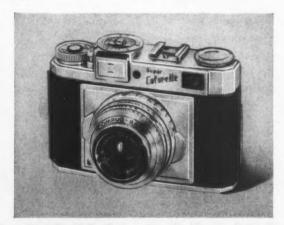
FOCAL PLANE: This gets its name from location at rearmost point of camera, just in front of film. Usual 35mm type consists of two cloth curtains, like window blinds. When shutter is released, curtains separate slightly to form slit, then race across camera in unison. Light gets to film through fast moving slit.



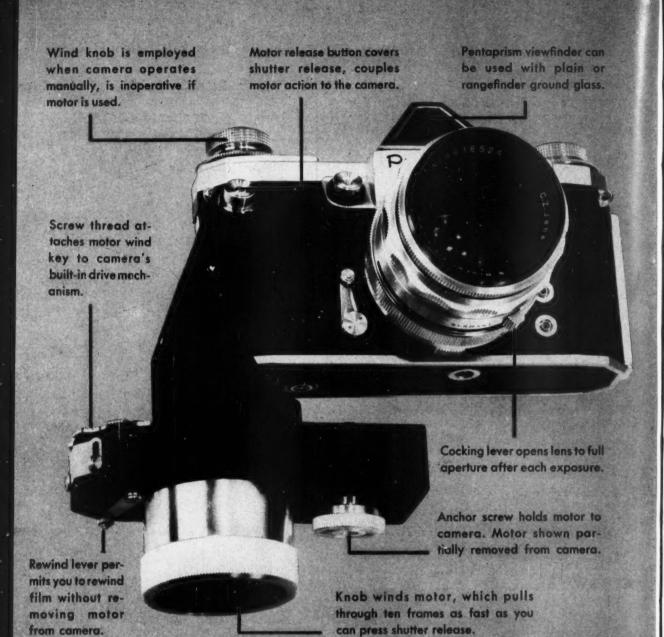
MODERN IN DESIGN? FOUR DIFFERENT TYPES GIVE YOU AN IDEA.



RANGE OF LENSES: Wide assortment of lenses is available for Diax IIb. These range from 50mm f/2 to 135mm f/4, plus wide-angle 35mm f/3.5. It's obvious that behind-lens shutter 35's can be versatile, and with fast black-and-white and color films now available such cameras can fill many picture taking needs.



LATEST TYPE: Indicative of trend in design of behindlens shutter 35's is Braun Super Colorette IIb. Introduced at Cologne Photokina, it is one of several new cameras having shutters and lens mounts specially designed as parts of complete behind-lens shutter system. Some also feature built-in exposure meters.



PRAKTINA: FASTEST 35MM REFLEX CAMERA

THE RANGEFINDER CAMERA, after over 20 years of complete supremacy in the 35mm field, today is being seriously challenged by the eye-level prism reflex. One of the newest, most comprehensive, and most interesting is the Praktina FX. Not only has the Praktina an automatic diaphragm-actuating mechanism built directly into the camera body (the first to have such), but it also has a completely integrated system of accessories aimed at making it one of the most versatile of all 35mm cameras. The question: How good is it?

The camera itself is not new to MODERN's editors. But we have purposely held off a full scale test of the camera until sufficient numbers were available with accessories to give a sound opinion based on examining a production sample. When the test camera arrived with accessories, we divided the tests into two sections. We tested the camera ourselves and we then asked a free-lance photographer familiar with it to render an opinion after practical field tests. Here's what we found.

What's new about the Praktina?

Aside from the newly introduced automatic 35mm f/2.8 Flektogon lens, there is little optically new about the Praktina. The big changes are mechanical. The 58mm f/2 Biotar lens tested and the 50mm f/2.8 Tessar, which at present are the only two "normal" focal length lenses available for the Praktina in the fully automatic mount, are optically identical in construction to the already well established and proven Biotar and Tessar lenses found on a majority of other single-lens reflex cameras. The lens mount and the automatic diaphragm mechanism are quite different, however.

On most single-lens reflex cameras, both the diaphragm actuator and the automatic diaphragm mechanism itself are built into the lens mount. A lever or button on the lens mount generally covers the shutter release of the camera. When you press the lever or button, it closes down the automatic diaphragm and also releases the shutter. This is often a cumbersome rig.

On the Praktina, the entire mechanism is built into the lens mount and camera body. As you press the shutter release, a small pin inside the camera body makes contact with a small pin on the back of the lens barrel. The diaphragm closes shortly before the shutter is released. After the picture has been taken, the lens must be recocked (see picture at left) to return the lens diaphragm to maximum opening. Although this represents another setup in operating procedure, Modern's editors found that it didn't take too long to get used to it. Unlike many other automatic diaphragms on other cameras, the pressure required to release the shutter remains extremely light. Although we've seen a number of automatic diaphragms which became half or completely inoperative after some use, the automatic mechanism in the Biotar gave no trouble during three months of use. The lens mount itself is a semi-bayonet type with a locking ring. Lenses can be changed in seconds. There doesn't seem to be any way that the mount might loosen with use, a fault with some other bayonet mounts.

We didn't like the range- (Continued on page 94)

MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY REPORTS ON PRAKTINA FX Nr. 39978

Specifications: Eye-level or waist-level prism reflex with or without rangefinder ground glass; internal automatic diaphragm actuator. Weight: 24 oz. Length: 5% in., Height exclusive of prism: 3% in. Depth exclusive of lens mount: 1% in. Speeds: 1 to 1/1000 sec. Lens: 58mm f/2 Biotar or 50mm f/2.8 Tessar in interchangeable bayonet mount. Special features: Camera has provision for external motor drive. Approximate list price: With Biotar, \$297; with Tessar, \$239.

Accessories: Lenses range from automatic 35mm f/2.8 C.Z. Flektogon (\$149.50) to 400mm f/5.5 Telemegor (\$199.50). Extension tubes (\$20), microscope eyepiece (\$30), extension bellows (\$59.50), microscope adapter (\$29.50), rapid sequence spring motor (\$69.50), electric motor and magnetic control (\$150), 50-foot bulk film magazines (\$69.50), BC flash unit (\$15.50), waist-level reflex finder with achromatic magnifier (\$20).

MODERN reports: One of the most advanced 35mm prism reflex cameras—fast interchange of lenses... good optics... automatic diaphragm effective... prism adequately bright... controls are handy... shutter on camera tested was consistent... construction and finish are satisfactory.

Professional reports: Suitable for professional photography...easy to operate...accessory motors useful.

5 NEW CAMERAS SPARK A TREND

Medium priced 35's are fast handling, full of features.

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for details, features,
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AIRES 35-III

RICOH 500

ON THESE PAGES we give you a hint as to the future of low to medium priced 35mm cameras. All incorporate features formerly found only on more costly types, plus new devices that make for easier, better picture taking.

Three have really fast 6-element lenses: f/1.9 on the Aires; f/2 on the Konica and Super Memar. No inexpensive triplet lenses here—the f/2.8 lens on the Olympus has five elements, and the one tested was a fine performer by any standards.

Shutters have a full range of speeds, from 1 to 1/500 sec. All have dual sync for flash and speed light. However, only two have self timers, and only the Super Memar has the linear calibration of shutter speeds (each setting gives either one-half or twice the exposure of its adjacent settings). The Super Memar also has the LVS system of cross coupled shutter and diaphragm controls built into its Synchro-Compur shutter.

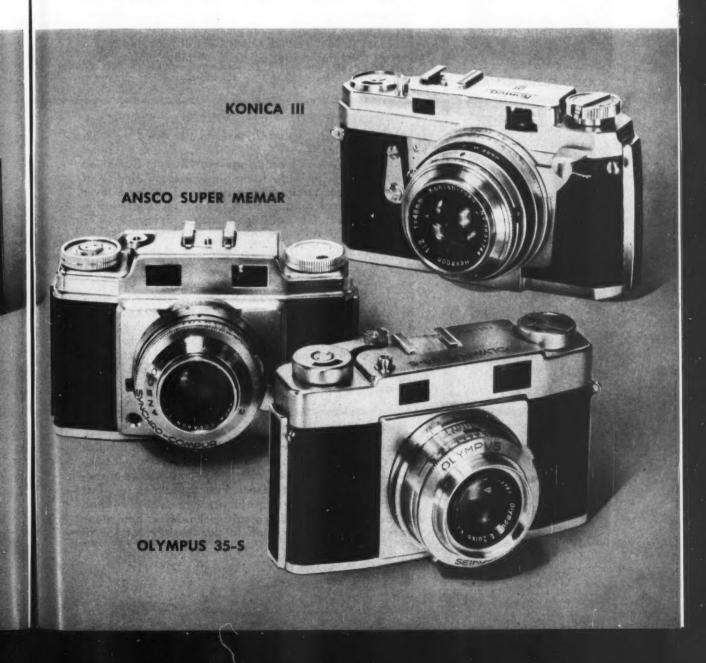
Focusing is easier than ever. All have bright, easy-to-use single-window range-viewfinder systems. The Aires features a beautifully bright illuminated reticle frame in the finder; the Konica has a frame on the front window of the finder.

The Aires is one of the closest focusing of all cameras—to 20 in. The finder has parallax error correction marks to guide you.

All these cameras are quick to load, fast to operate; the Ricoh 500 is perhaps the speediest for sequences.

These 35's are of sturdy die-cast construction. Bodies and lens mounts are rigid. Much attention has been given to keeping the film flat. Finish is good, and they all have a "quality" appearance.

The significance of all this is that in the price range of \$70-\$125 you will soon be getting an amazing amount of camera, all things considered. W. C. BALL



ESSENTIAL FACTS ABOUT THE 5 CAMERAS ARE SUMMARIZED BELOW.



AIRES 35-III

Lens: 6-element, 45mm f/1.9 Coral; click stops to f/16; infrared mark; focuses to 20 in., much closer than most cameras. Shutter: Seikosha-MX, 1-1/500 & B; no self timer; M,F,X sync. Range-viewfinder: Combined coincidence type; illuminated reticle frame line, with parallax marks. Film advance: One stroke lever; knob rewind; self-starting counter. Misc: Film plane mark on top. Price: 99.50



ANSCO SUPER MEMAR

Lens: 6-element, 50mm f/2 Agfa Solagon, click stops to f/22. Shutter: Synchro-Compur, I-I/500 & B, with linear speed calibration, cross coupled to diaphragm with LVS system; MX sync; self timer (X sync only with this). Rangeviewfinder: Combined coincidence, Film advance: One stroke lever; knob rewind. Misc: Centrally located tripod socket; retractable foot on base for table support, etc. Price: \$124.50



KONICA III

Lens: 6-element, 48mm f/2 Hexanon, click stops to f/22. Shutter: Konirapid-MFX, 1-1/500 & B; separate self timer control lever; M,F,X sync. Range-viewfinder: Combined coincidence; with white frame line on front window of finder; parallax marks. Film advance: Two-stroke lever on camera front; folding crank rewind; self-starting film counter. Misc: Central tripod socket. Price: \$119.75



OLYMPUS 35-S

Lens: 5-element, 48mm f/2.8 Olympus E-Zuiko, click stops to f/16; focuses to 2.7 ft. Shutter: Seikosha-MX, 1-1/500 & B; M,F,X sync; no self timer. Range-viewfinder: Combined coincidence. Film advance: Single stroke lever; folding crank rewind; self starting counter. Misc: This is the smallest of the five cameras listed. Price: \$69.95



RICOH 500

Lens: 4-element, 45mm f/2.8 Riken Ricoh; "window" click stops to f/16; dual focusing levers. Shutter: Seikosha-MX, 1-1/500 & B, no self timer; M,F,X sync. Range-view-finder: Combined coincidence. Film advance: Very fast horizontal trigger (one stroke) on camera base, or by knob on top of camera; folding crank rewind. Misc: Film plane mark; entire back comes off for loading. Price: \$69.95

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Large center window provides light for illuminated white reticle which outlines field of view in finder.



Rapid winder stroke starts from and returns to this position. Lever folds flush when not in use.



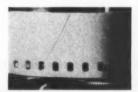
Eyepiece of range-viewfinder is biggest one in five-camera group; it's easy to use with eyeglasses.



When not in use, rapid winder lever folds flush with camera body, cannot snag on clothes, corners, etc.



Diaphragm control is on ring; push it back and rotate. F-numbers and shutter are linked by LVS system.



Film loading is simple; hook on spool engages sprocket hole. Film disengages easily when rewound.



Back has double lock; you turn key, then press down on it. This actuates lock and back springs open.



Two-stroke wind lever on front and position of other controls make this camera easy to use vertically.



Interior of camera is well baffled to prevent stray light from getting to film plane, causing flare.



Scales are grouped neatly atop lens mount; f-numbers appear singly in window, are easy to read.



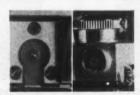
Pyrex glass pressure plate is rigid, unaffected by temperature, designed to hold film in focus.



Folding rewind lever pops out of recess when you push knurled release with fingertip.



Controls are so placed that you can snap, focus, advance film, wind shutter without shifting hands.



There are two flash outlets. One is in accessory shoe atop camera; other is push-on at end of body.



F-numbers appear singly in window. Distance scale and other markings are large, easy to read.

GET MORE 35MM MILEAGE WITH ACCESSORIES

by NORMAN ROTHSCHILD



1. CLOSE-UPS WITH RANGEFINDER CAMERAS: It's as easy to take close-ups with such a device as the Proximeter as it is to take pictures at normal distances. With it on the front of your lens mount you can use your rangefinder and viewfinder as you would for any picture.



2. CLOSE-UPS WITH ANY CAMERA: Put a close-up lens on your camera lens, attach a focal frame and everything within the framing area will immediately be in focus. Focal frames fit most cameras. This is Kodak's.



5. CONTINUOUS FOCUSING FOR REMOV-ABLE LENS CAMERAS: Reflex cameras don't need a reflex housing. Instead, use the bellows alone and you can often focus from infinity to a fraction of an inch from the lens. You'll see it all on the ground glass.



6. CLOSE-UPS WITH AUTOMATIC LENSES: Puzzled how to get that automatic diaphragm lens to work with an extension tube or a bellows attachment? Why not try a Closal unit to solve the problem of actuating shutter and diaphragm?

THERE ARE TWO KINDS of accessories—those which you find helpful and use rather constantly, and the others which after one-time use wind up gathering dust in a drawer. We'll deal (we hope) with the first group of accessories, but it'll be up to you to pick the particular items which will fit your own needs and camera.

In looking over the whole field of 35mm camera accessories, you'll note a definite leaning to close-up attachments of one sort or another. Close-ups seem to be the main desire of many 35mm camera owners once they've decided to look around for new photographic fields. Unfortunately, there are so many different kinds of 35mm cameras that all sorts of close-up accessories are necessary. And they also vary in ease of operation and certainly in price.

The Proximeter, shown (photo 1) mounted on an

Ansco Super Memar, consists of a plus close-up lens that mounts in front of your range-viewfinder. It extends the rangefinder's operating range and corrects for parallax error in the viewfinder.

There are two Proximeter strengths

Two Proximeter strengths are furnished. Proximeter I lets you make close-ups down to about 19 in. while Proximeter II's range extends to about 13 in. (These figures will be modified by the particular camera you are using.) You can combine Proximeters I and II to get to about 10 in.

Proximeters are supplied for a great variety of rangefinder cameras such as Vitessa, Prominent, Diax, Argus, Kodak Signet, Bolsey, Karomat, Leica, Contax, and



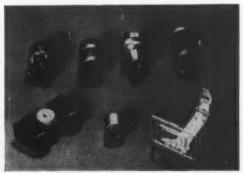
3. CLOSE-UPS WITH REMOVABLE LENS CAMERAS: Get closer to your subject by slipping an extension tube between lens and camera body. Adjustable tube, top right, lets you shoot at varying distances. Focoslide focusing screen bottom, shows what you're getting.



4. REFLEX VIEWING FOR RANGEFINDER CAMERAS: Easiest way to make close-ups with interchangeable lens camera is to use a mirror-reflex housing with a bellows. Then you can compose and focus your picture on a ground glass screen right until ready to shoot.



7. TELE OR WIDE-ANGLES FOR FIXED LENSES: If your camera doesn't have an interchangeable lens mount, you can still get that wide-angle or telephoto effect by using accessory lenses which just slip over the camera lens.



8. EASIER VIEWING WITH DIRECT FINDERS: What focal length lens are you using? There's an open wire frame, brightly outlined optical finder, or zoom finder to show you just what's in the picture—with full parallax correction too!

Nikon. Check with your dealer to see if there is a model to fit your camera.

A device similar to the Proximeter is the Japanese made Auto-Up.

Focal frame close-up devices

Focal frames such as the Kodak Close-up Kit for Miniature Cameras, shown (photo 2) with a Kodak Pony 35 Model C, place the subject at the proper distance from the lens and outline the area of the picture by means of a metal or other frame. The Kodak unit also fits the Kodak Pony 828, Kodak Signet 35. Argus C-3 or A-4, Ansco Memar, Ciro 35, and Graphic 35 with the proper Series 5 adapter ring. It is supplied with a Kodak plus 5 Portra lens, for close-ups at a distance of about 3 in.

For close-up flash shooting in color Kodak makes special Close-up Flashguards, to go over your flash reflector. These allow just enough light from a miniature flashlamp to reach the subject for correct exposure on Ektachrome or Kodachrome Type F film. (A kit containing a Kodak Pony 828 camera, the Kodak Field Frame, a Kodak B-C Flashholder, 2 Kodak Close-up Flashguards, adapter ring and a Series 5 Kodak plus 5 Portra lens is sold as the Kodak Technical Close-Up Outfit.)

Other focal frames are the Cal-Cam; Belun, Boowu and Behoo devices by Leitz; Konica Close-up Kit; Kodak Retina Close-Up Kit Model B; and one for the Lordomat.

Extension tubes and Focoslide

Placing an extension between lens and camera lets you focus on close-up subjects (photo 3).

In a single-lens reflex (tube at top left for Exakta) you can see the effect of this on the ground glass screen. For other than reflex cameras, or for miniature cameras fitted with reflex housings, you must provide other means in order to know how sharp the subject will be.

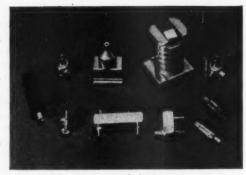
The Accura focusing extension tube (photo 3) for Leica, Canon, and similar cameras, has working distance marks engraved on it for various extensions.

In devices such as the Leitz Focoslide (photo 3) the image is first focused and composed on a ground glass screen. The ground glass is then replaced by the camera body and the exposure is made. For close-up focusing, extensions are used between the lens and the device.

Similar devices are made by Zeiss (Contax), Nikon, Canon, and by Shull-Meyer (Speed-O-Copy) for a variety of cameras including all those named plus Argus cameras.

Reflex housings

You can have the convenience of reflex focusing even with a rangefinder camera if your camera has an interchangeable lens mount. Most such cameras can be fitted with reflex housings which, in effect, change your rangefinder camera into a single-lens reflex type. These reflex housings (photo 4), placed between camera body and lens, are generally used for close-up work but they are also employed for focusing and framing the image with tele or long focal length lenses.



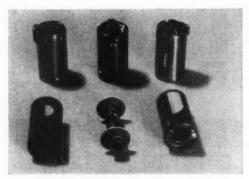
9. CHANGE YOUR CONNECTION: Perhaps you've got a flash attachment which just won't fit your camera. There are all sorts of accessory sync tips and adapters to remedy the situation.



11. SLOW SPEEDS FOR CAMERAS WITHOUT THEM: Suppose your camera doesn't have slow speeds and you need them. Don't trade the camera in. These two slow speed devices (see text) may do the job satisfactorily for you.



13. CARRYING YOUR METER WITH YOU: Many new 35mm cameras have built-in meters. If yours doesn't, but it does have an accessory shoe, add a meter. There are many makes.



10. FOR FOOLPROOF BULK LOADING: Save money by bulk loading your film. For surest scratchproof results, check if special film cassettes are made for your camera.



12. CHECKING FOCUS: Is your camera operating properly? You can check alignment and focus of Leica-threaded cameras by using the Accura focusing ground glass, left. Accura ground glass insert, right, fits cameras with removable or hinged backs.



14. HOLDING LONG LENSES STEADY: Lenses of longer than 135mm focal length are generally made for tripod operation but you can hold them steady in your hands with a gunstock.

The "normal" focal length lens that you generally use with your camera will probably not work at infinity with the reflex housings. Most reflex housings require a longer-than-normal focal length lens in a short mount in order to focus at infinity, as well as closer distances. Check with the maker of your reflex housing for full data. A coupling device or a double cable release is used to operate the mirror in the reflex housing and release the shutter.

The Novoflex Reflex Housing (left, photo 4) is shown with the Novoflex Bellows, mounted on a Nikon S-2. It is also made in models to fit Contax, Leica, Canon and similar cameras.

Features of the Novoflex are: a revolving back for vertical or horizontal pictures, or intermediate positions; 45 degree eye-level prism focusing; and revolving mask on ground glass that changes position as the revolving back is operated.

The Accura III Reflex Housing (also photo 4) can be used with a waist level magnifier or accessory prism for eye-level focusing. It's shown with Kopil bellows.

Other reflex housings are made for the Leica, Contax, Canon, Nikon and Prominent.

Bellows extensions for ultra close-ups

Bellows extensions are generally used with singlelens reflexes (photo 5), or miniature cameras fitted with reflex housings to put enough distance between lens and film plane for close-up focusing. In contrast to extension tubes, which can be used only at a series of fixed distances, bellows extensions provide continuous focusing throughout their entire range.

The single track Kopil Bellows (left, photo 5) folds into a compact 2½ in. This makes it easy to store or carry in a gadget bag or even a pocket. It's available in models for Leica and Canon type cameras; also for Exakta, Praktica, Pentacon and similar threads.

The Multiscope (center, photo 5), features removable rear and front lensboards. In addition to being able to use the lens regularly mounted for your particular miniature camera, you're also able to mount any other special purpose lens on a Multiscope board. Special lenses include those in shutters; in barrel mounts as supplied for view cameras; special high grade process lenses for extra-sharp close-ups; etc. The back and front of the Multiscope move independently, allowing you to focus with either camera or lens.

Although the Multiscope is regularly supplied for the Exakta, a great variety of cameras can be fitted to it by simply mounting the proper flanges on the lensboard.

The Novoslex double track bellows (right, photo 5) has a revolving back. You can shoot either vertical or horizontal pictures without removing the camera from bellows or turning the whole assembly on its side. You can also turn the camera to an intermediate position to compensate for uneven ground or for special-angle effects. The double track allows you to focus using either camera body or lens.

The Novoflex is supplied for use with cameras that have Exakta, Praktica, Praktina, Pentacon, Leica, and Contax or Nikon lens mounts.

If you have a single-lens (Continued on page 114)

NEW HAT FOR OLD... 16 IDEAS FOR 35MM

FURBELOWS don't make the hat. Ferricyanide and fancy angles don't make the picture. Whether hat or picture, the basic stuff from which it's made must be sound and well chosen. Imagination and good taste and ingenuity are perhaps nebulous terms. Coupled with technical competence, however, they are abilities that can produce new ideas or, as we like to call them, creative pictures. We don't urge you to decorate either hats or pictures with the embellishments of new materials. Use new methods and new tools sparingly—where you think they'll be effective. In this age and rage of the 35mm, miniature cameras are clacking away-indoors and out-but more quietly, now, with their discreet shutters, a large variety of accessory equipment, and excellent films. Yet the gamut of 35mm pictures is still sometimes tedious, often tortured. We see: we imitate: and in the excitement of making a new exposure which is always a challenge—we often forget to ask that cautious question, "What am I trying to do?" The pictures here are not set up as all-time Greats. But they are guides to new ideas, new ways of looking at people, at situations, at the long and short views of the world around us all. There are many ways to approach your subject: the close view (as shown at right), the long view (Daniell's Venice scene, page 65). There are ways to catch people aware, and unaware (pages 74, 75), to be both fanciful and humorous as the mood strikes (man, guitar, page 73). There are ways, too, of daring difficult light to work for vou—as Francekevich did (page 67). If the hat is out of date, burn it. Perhaps a radically new style is needed. At least try a new model, a new approach. Live with it awhile. Then ask yourself, ask your friends, if it wears well .- D.J.



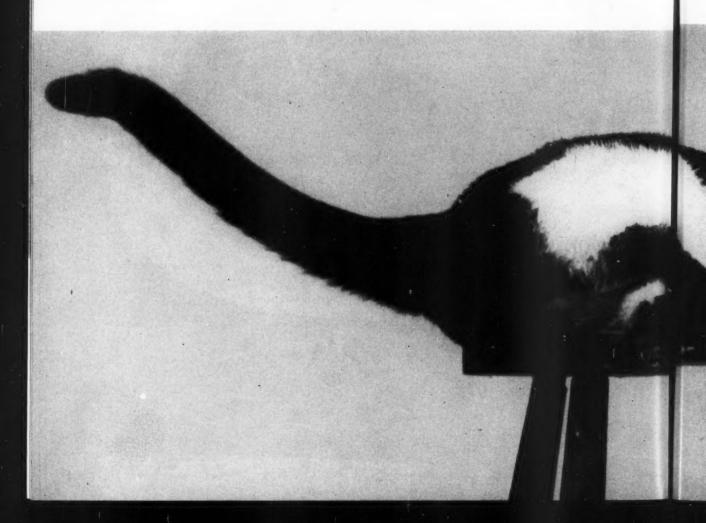
▽ ISOLATE THE OBSCURE details. You'll never suspect where there may be a picture—on sidewalk, street, or wall, as here. Caught by "abstract" quality of white figure and tick-tack-toe scratchings against dark background, Jesse Fernandez closed in with Leica M-3, 50mm Summicron lens, Plus-X film, f/5.6 and 1/50 second. For pictures such as this, however, just any point of view won't do. Visual interest can be maintained only by balance and tension within the structure of the picture. Use your viewfinder thoughtfully!

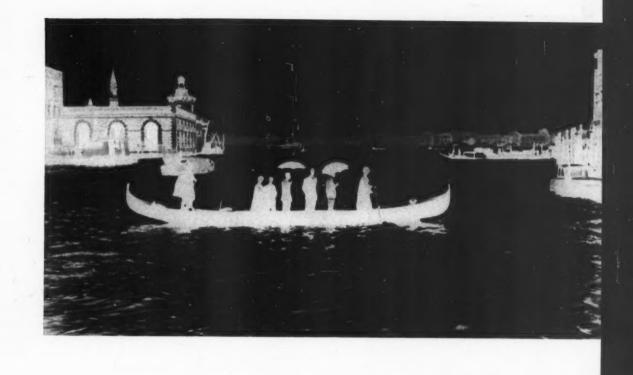


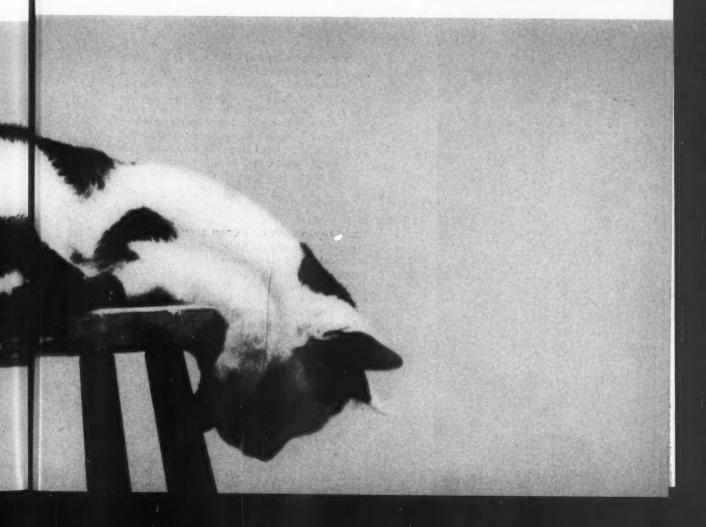
FOR STARK EFFECT ELIMINATE THE GRAYS IN TAKING OR IN DARKROOM

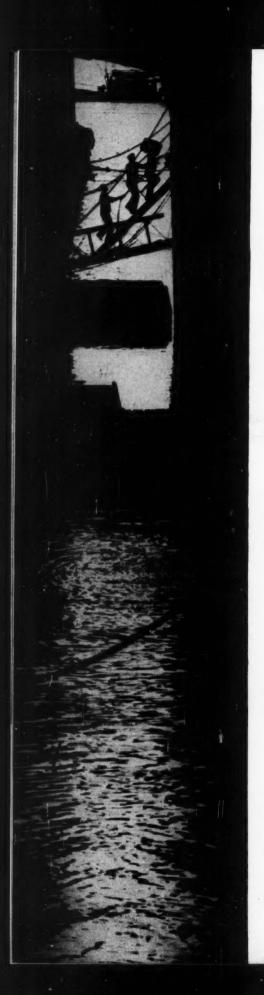
LOOK FOR CONTINUOUS BACKGROUNDS—Skylight on smooth, white wall provided continuous tone, light background emphasized cat's black areas, helped to separate subject from its setting. Seamless paper can be used as well. Flash or speed light, bounced from wall or ceiling, will also give diffused, soft-shadow illumination. Alfred Statler used a Leica, Tri-X film, gave exposure of f/3.5 and 1/30 second.

DO IT IN THE DARKROOM. George > Daniell converted rainy-day-in-Venice scene to startling picture. The original was a Kodachrome exposed at f/4.5 and 1/50 second with a Leica. To get entirely new feeling, however, Daniell put the transparency in the enlarger, projected the image directly on a "hard" (No. 1) paper. If you are working with a blackand-white negative and want to make a negative print, you must make a positive negative. One way is to sandwich a negative and piece of new film between two pieces of clean glass-in the dark, of course—then hold them up to a light source. Exposure time will vary with the negative, so experiment. After the positive negative is processed, it can be used in enlarger to project negative image.









CHALLENGE DIFFICULT LIGHT! FOR DRAMATIC RESULTS, SHOOT TOWARDS THE SUN WITH COLOR, BLACK-AND-WHITE

shoot into the sun. Trial and error and some results with violent lens flare were well worth the efforts of Al Francekevich who made dramatic pigeon-in-fountain picture, opposite. Since the film was color (Kodachrome), he used an exposure meter, but only as a guide, then cut exposure down to f/11 and 1/50. Low light of late afternoon plus a long focal length lens (135mm Triotar), which produced large image, combined to give picture strong forms, contrasting highlight and shadow areas.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CLEAR SUNLIGHT. High in the mountains of Peru (color foldout), Marc Bernheim could shoot nearly every middle distance subject at approximately f/8 and 1/50 second on Ektachrome. The clarity of high elevation, with only a few clouds, gave a constant bright light. When working with a reflected-light exposure meter, take readings off the palm of your hand, instead of the back (the palm doesn't change color), when it's impossible to get close readings from the subject, as here.













TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LOW LIGHT LEVELS—OUTDOORS AND IN INTERIORS



GET CLOSE TO THE SUBJECT in difficult, available light. Wide apertures, which are most frequently used in indoor scenes as *above*, will result in throwing conflicting background details out of focus, provided the lens is focused on a nearby subject. Farrell Grehan was within a very few feet of horse show judges: f/4, 1/60.

THE HEART OF THE PICTURE IS IN THE GESTURE, EXPRESSION, EVENT

▼ MAKE NO BONES ABOUT IT: PULL A SNEAK ATTACK if friends tend to be camera shy. Seeing a chance to make head-on shot of camera-resistant friend, Angelo Lomeo didn't even focus. Swinging in with Leica pre-set at f/5.6 and 1/25 in late daylight, Lomeo stopped wonderfully live expression, gesture. A word of caution: when you're wielding that weapon, camera, aggression toward strangers is often unwelcome, to say the least. Tread gently, if you want to maintain their blessing as well as your head.







△ LEAD THE EYE TO THE PICTURE. Wideangle lens (35mm) gave great depth of field, exaggerated shoes in foreground. The viewer's eye is lead quickly from the cleat on the toe, to knee, right up the necktie to a winning smile which is the picture. Larry Bigman (see "Discovery," page 82), chose extremely low angle which helps increase distortion. Canon, approximately f/8.



△ QUIETLY CATCH THE UNAWARE. Tired, reflecting, or in repose, expressions cling to unknown faces. Should a camera appear, a face can ice over, becoming again the stranger's daily mask. Open, unguarded moments such as this cafe scene are rare, require some stealth in getting them unnoticed. Mildred Grossman fiddled with Contax, pretending to shoot some other subject. Since she was at neighboring table just a very few feet away, this picture is practically a full negative.

HOW'S YOUR TIMING? WHEN DO YOU POUNCE ON YOUR SUBJECT?

—WHEN DO YOU PURR?

LET 'EM MUG! And children love ▷ to screw up their faces in front of a camera. Take advantage of their gyrations-they'll get used to the photographer and cease to pay attention to him soon enough. J. P. Charbonnier heightened the foolishness here by shooting directly down, so that faces and shoulders appear grotesquely large and out of proportion compared to the rest of their bodies. Usually, fast shutter speedsupwards of 1/100 second-are essential if you want to stop quickly changeable expressions. However, if light conditions permit only slower shutter speeds, anticipate the moment when action or expression will reach a peak.



TEST YOUR POWER OF SUGGESTION—PICTURE PEOPLE WITHOUT DETAILS OR FACES pick part of the subject—do you need a part of the back of a head can tell a story, for wherever there is gesture—any part of the body that can be moved can, in fact, gesture—there is picture material. Fred Stein had hoped to photograph diving shots, when he made this picture, but since "everybody was lazy," he made these leg details instead. Fine-grain films are especially well suited to work in the bright outdoors. Stein used Panatomic-X in Leica. No exposure data.





SUGGEST WITH SHADOWS.

Reminiscent of the mystery in a De Chirico painting, shadow picture at right combines form, space, and suggested figure. Jesse Fernandez eliminated the human beings that came with the shadows, preserving the strange quality. At left Raimondo Borea included part of one human figure, accompanied by two shadows—a simple visual riddle that makes the viewer look twice. While Fernandez cropped his picture in his mind before making the exposure, Borea cropped later because, as he said, it made a much stronger picture than he had realized when making the exposure. Fernandez used a Leica M-3, f/5.6 and 1/50 second; Borea, a Condor I, f/8, 1/50.



A fine new book answers the question

WHAT MAKES A GOOD FEATURE PICTURE?

PHOTOJOURNALISM IS THE MOST dominant force in photography today. It will be so for a long time to come. A photograph is a powerful weapon and its proper use is all important in a newspaper, on TV, or within a picture magazine. Our best photographic talents consider a job on one of these organs of visual communication the highest obtainable peak. Other photographers, amateur and professional, see the work of the photojournalists and emulate it.

Enter a new book

Now there is a book by Arthur Rothstein called *Photojournalism* (Amphoto, \$5.95) a survey of the field. It is for editors, the budding photojournalist and everyone of us with a camera. Rothstein was a photographer for the Farm Security Administration during the I930's. During World War II, he served as an instructor in the U. S. Army Signal Corps and was a Photographic Officer in India and China. For 16 years he has been a staff photographer and Technical Director of Photography of *Look* magazine.

Although the territory Rothstein seeks to cover is almost uncoverable because of its immensity and complexity, it can be distilled to "how to tell a story with photography." In 197 pages he covers the evolution of the photojournalist; describes newspaper photojournalism, examines the feature photograph, the photo sequence, the picture story; he enumerates and analyzes the duties and function of the art director and the picture editor; he stresses craftsmanship and the importance of proper equipment and technique, shows you a complete photo laboratory and the various processes which turn a picture into an integrated part of a magazine or newspaper. He discusses the ethics of photojournalism as well as basic legal aspects. The book is tastefully designed and fully illustrated by Rothstein's

own famous pictures as well as with photos from other photographers.

Why you should read it

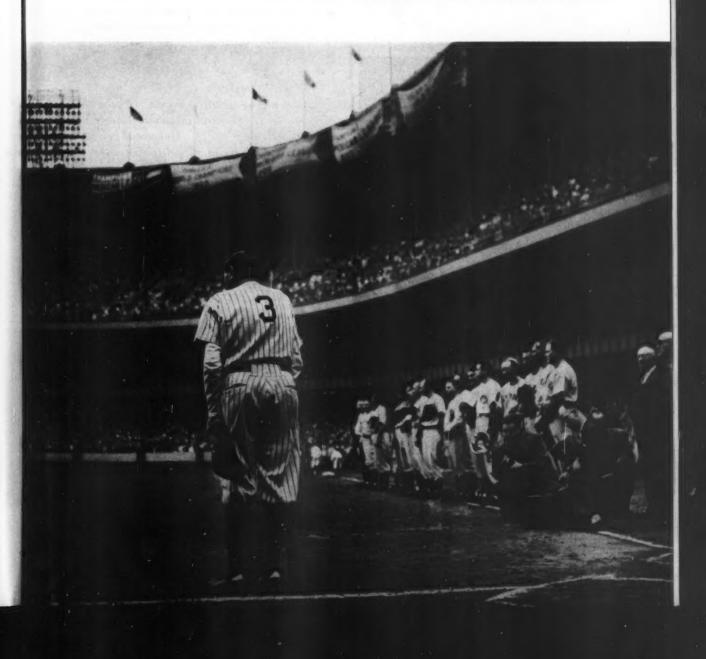
Much of Rothstein's accounting of professional procedures can be applied to your own approach to photography. Even if you never desire to sell a picture, Rothstein can help you distill an idea, select the best approach to the subject, the right equipment, the proper cropping of the photograph and the final presentation.

Rothstein's book naturally draws on his experience at Look and the book is heavily weighted with that magazine's approach to photojournalism (just as Wilson Hicks' earlier and excellent book, Words and Pictures, dealt exclusively with Life magazine). Rothstein however has attempted to diversify material by including much newspaper procedure from the Milwaukee Journal, certainly one of the country's most photoconscious newspapers.

Undoubtedly Rothstein's conception of the nature and function of photojournalism will closely resemble the ideas of other editors. Since photojournalism is subject to many interpretations, some editors will certainly differ with him. As photographers who have had dealings with the photo departments of leading magazines know, it's indeed a brave and unusual magazine executive who is willing to commit into print his ideas on words and pictures.

It would be impossible to give a complete digest of *Photojournalism* in these four pages. Instead, we herewith print a sampling of the feature pictures contained in Rothstein's book plus direct quotes from him pertaining to each type of photograph. They will give you some idea of the wealth of material in *Photojournalism*. We think, however, it will be well worth your while to see the book itself.—THE EDITORS

In analyzing his subject the feature photographer must be able to select the significant. The selection of what to photograph is just as important as the technique used for making the picture. . . . Most of the many photographers present on the dull dark day when Babe Ruth retired, used flash bulbs and made conventional pictures. One, however, made his exposure with available light and from a position behind the famous player. This picture caught the essence of the moment and was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for 1949. (Nat Fein: Herald Tribune)





ROTHSTEIN TELLS HOW TO MAKE A FEATURE PICTURE

The photographer's control of action can add interest and variety to his pictures. Electronic flash and high shutter speeds are used to freeze action and record that which happens too quickly for the eye to see. The skillful use of slow shutter speeds to blur moving objects gives another kind of illusion of motion. . . . The ballet dancer, Tanaquil LeClerc, is stopped in midair by the light from four electronic flash units, placed behind a diffusing screen to give a semi-silhouette. (Rothstein: Look)



Creative photography involves the most skillful use of technical means to make the reader see a subject as the photographer sees—and feels—it... Movement can... be shown by a series of multiple exposures against a black background... A three-dimensional, sculptured effect is achieved in this classic pose of a shot-putter by means of multiple electronic flash which records successive phases of the action on a single sheet of film. (Frank Bauman: Look)



Composition refers to the arrangement of the elements in a photograph so that a pleasing design is created. The photojournalist uses it correctly to help make his visual message clearer... Lighting should create an adequate exposure and set the proper mood for the photograph.... The two figures are a director and an actor, working together... picture gives background and mood, tells a... complete story. (Ralph Steiner)



In spite of the special requirements for feature photography, the photojournalist must still do a significant job of picture reporting. This comes from his ability as an alert photographer to see and interpret the full meaning of a situation skillfully and truthfully.... This... photograph is more dramatic than any action shot would be. It conveys the intensity of physical struggle and the emotional pitch of great sports contests. (Bert Emanuel: Detroit Free Press)



Feature photographs (are) usually . . . published in magazines or gravure supplements to a newspaper. This means that photographs can be produced with a more subtle range of tones than those prepared for newsprint reproduction. The feature photographer can devote more thought to the problems of composition, camera perspective and pictorial values. . . . These swimming children were photographed through a window in the side of a pool below water level. It was given an award by the New York Art Directors' Club, following its publication. (Maurice Terrell: Look)



In order to make a picture more forceful it is sometimes desirable to distort or accentuate the perspective with lenses of various focal length... The position of the camera is also important. A distant panoramic shot will set the scene while an extreme closeup will emphasize a significant detail... A wide-angle lens used close up distorts the features of comedian Jimmy Durante, exaggerates his famous nose. (Arthur Rothstein: Look)



Park, above: Canon, Plus-X, f/8 and 1/100. Girl, right: Ikoflex, Super-XX, f/11, 1/100.

LARRY BIGMAN

SINCE the advent of 36-exposure films, compact cameras, and rapid film advance devices, overshooting has become a common thing and a source of argumentative hassles as well. There are those who stoutly defend the legitimacy of blind firing in hopes of eventually getting a good picture. In fact many photographers, sent out to get a single shot, come back with a dozen rolls of exposed film. Sooner or later they may produce an excellent result; but has it been a fair hunt?

Larry Bigman would emphatically say "No!" For if anything, Bigman probably undershoots—making exposures slowly and deliberately. He carefully adds up all the components of the scene and waits for the expression or gesture or turn of event which will cap the meaning of the picture (above and right). "I don't see any point in making a hundred exposures in hopes of getting one success." Bigman feels the discipline of waiting can teach the photographer how to select a picture from a mass of extraneous details. "Even though this is sometimes hard, you must be able to recognize the picture instantly."

A native New Yorker, Bigman has been dealing with "instant recognition" for the past several years. (Continued on page 126)



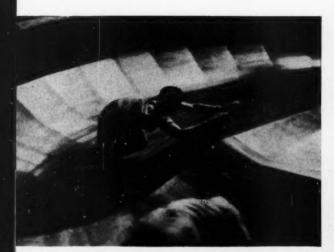
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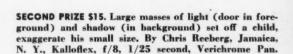
MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY'S
MONTHLY CONTEST
FIRST PRIZE \$25
SECOND PRIZE \$15
THIRD PRIZES \$10

SHOULD YOU center your subject, let it fill the entire picture area, or keep it off-center? Let the subject determine the answer! The size of a child, below, has been emphasized. He sits in a corner of the picture, a vast area of shadow and light above his head. A man's silhouette against a white sky, far right, is set off and given scale by the frame of buildings on either side. Decorated with overwhelming eyebrows, the girl, opposite, fills most of the picture area. Yet the eyebrows, the focal point, are centered.

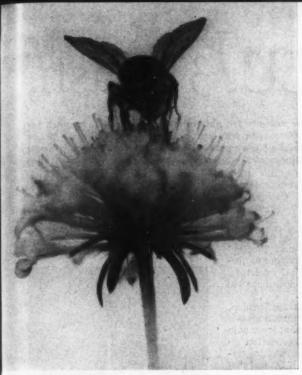
"I Tried it Myself" is a monthly contest for blackand-white pictures. Anyone may submit any number
of prints. Be sure they are 4 x 5 or larger in size, and
that your name, address and all technical data appear
on the back of each print. Please enclose a stamped
(first class postage) self-addressed envelope if you
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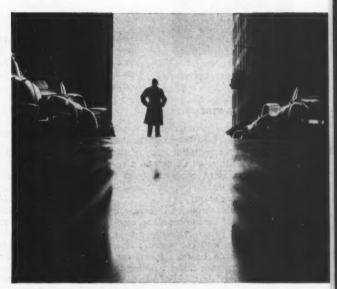
THIRD PRIZE \$10. Fun house whirlaround makes odd background for scrambling boys. Originally planned as part of a series entitled "Torture for Fun," this excerpt was made by Donald Snyder, Brooklyn, N. Y., with Leica IIIc, f/2.8 and 1/100 second on Ansco Supreme film.







THIRD PRIZE \$10. Not a 20X enlargement, not a superbee. But simply the result of +1 and +2 close-up lenses on Primar-Reflex. By Charles Gillen, Elizabeth, N. J.



THIRD PRIZE \$10. Slick wet day provides interesting reflections for cityscapes. Here Robert Mentken, New York, N. Y., overexposed light areas for details in the blacks.

\$25 FIRST PRIZE. Satirical high fashion spoof wears poker face beneath weight of brows. Carter J. Allen, Evanston, Ill., bounced floodlight off ceiling for soft diffused illumination, used Rolleiflex, Plus-X developed in D-23.





40 CU, 3" Flash.

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Signet 40, lip sync

Serious amateur photographers speak their own specialized language. You've already read the technical story of the new Kodak Signet 40 Camera in a recent Bulletin. Here, condensed from a Kodak TV commercial, is the "man-inthe-street" translation:

The video runs through CU (close-up) glamor shots of the camera alone, camera in a man's hands, camera in a girl's hands, shots of a rodeo, woman's face, man and woman beside a sports car, CU of camera with finger pointing to those famous red dots, CU of man flicking that convenient thumb lever to wind the film, a screenful of the surprisingly low \$69.00 price, and so on.

Accompanying this is audio, either lip-synchronized or background "voice over," which says: "Kodak announces its newest color-slide camera, the Signet 40 . . . first camera designed to keep pace with the new films and new flashbulbs you've been reading about . . . with it you'll get striking pictures . . . faster action shots . . . close-ups from as little as two feet away . . . it's so light, so smart, you'll step out in style wherever you wear it . . . and you'll step out with confidence, too; it has every modern feature ... for example, you don't wind the film



—just" (and he gives a few flicks with the thumb lever) "like that...it's the top value in its field, and most stores offer it for \$6.90 down."

Which, as a matter of fact, is a pretty good summary for people who don't know an exposure index from a coupled rangefinder-and who wouldn't sit still anyway to hear about all the 40-or-more technical features that make the Signet 40 a bargain-including flash unit and two reflectors. Handled one yet? Your Kodak dealer has them now, unless his last order is already sold out.

The new flash trend

We're delighted at the way people are taking to the new, compact "midget" flash units-especially since our mirrorfinish Kodak Lumaclad reflectors, teamed up with M-2 bulbs, made the "midget" units practical.

Secret of this magic combination, which gives equal light from a smaller

bulb in a smaller reflector at lower bulb cost, is not just the almost-perfect efficiency of the Lumaclad reflecting sur-

face. Equally important is the fact that the curve of a mirror can be designed to give almost-perfect concentration of the

light within the area covered by your lens-with minimum "spill" and no "hot spot."

The Super-M 40 Flasholder that comes with the new Kodak Signet 40 Camera is an especially ingenious adaptation of the midget-flash idea. You get two quick-change reflectors—a 3-incher, shaped for peak efficiency with the pecan-size M-2 bulbs, and a 4-incher, specially tailored for the walnut-size 5 and 25 bulbs. Both fit on the same neat, compact body (see above). And it's all included in the \$69.00 camera price.

Synch for heirlooms?

Now and then someone writes us: "I have a very fine old Kodak camera, made about 1915 (or some such year.) It takes good pictures, but how do I fix it for flash shots?"

The sensible answer is: "Why bother to? Instead, buy a modern \$26.50 Kodak Duaflex IV with Kodar f/8 lens, add a \$4.50 Kodalite Flasholder-and now you have two good cameras, probably for less than you'd spend trying to adapt the heirloom."

For flash snapshots, we doubt if there's

ever been a family-type, family-priced camera to beat the Kodak Duaflex f/8. It has that big brilliant reflex finder (perfect for indoor shooting), focuses to 31/2



feet, has a color-corrected lens with settings from f/8 to f/16, has double-exposure prevention, gets 12 shots to a 620 roll, and is a joy to use indoors or out. Handle one, next time you're at your Kodak dealer's, and you'll see why we're so enthusiastic.

Faster slower films

Can one film or plate be both faster and slower than another? Yes. For instance, some months ago we delivered three dozen very sensitive Kodak Spectroscopic Plates, Type 103a-F for use with the world's greatest telescope on Palomar Mountain in California. These plates are far better, far faster than, say, Kodak Tri-X Film, when they're given a 50-hour soaking in the feeble trickle of billion-year-old photons from a constellation at the far end of our universe. But for snapshots at typical camera-shutter speeds, or for ultra-short strobe exposures, they're not nearly as fast as Tri-X. We mention this in order to point out again, for the umpteenth time, that every Kodak film (or plate, or print paper) is specifically tailored to give you the best combination of characteristics for the field in which you'll use it. This adds up to the most quality and best performance for your money.

Filters for Kodacolor Film

When we brought out the new dualpurpose "indoor-outdoor" Kodacolor Film, we specified two light sourcesdayli hotsy a gre negat use t

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daylight and clear flash. This is just hotsy-totsy for the snapshot public, but a great many advanced workers want to use other light sources, without getting negatives that vary all over the lot. So use these filters or the exact equivalents:

Daylight, use no filter. Clear flash (3800K), use no filter. With photofloods (3400K), use a Kodak Wratten 82A. With 3200K studio bulbs, use a Kodak Wratten 82C. (The correct exposure index for the new Kodacolor with photofloods and 82A is 20; with the 3200K

bulbs and 82C, 16.)

Electronic flash is a special case. It approximates daylight. The only catch is, the negatives look for all the world as if they had been exposed with clear flash bulbs. So, to avoid the possibility of their being printed to the wrong color balance, use a Kodak Wratten Filter No. 85 over the camera lens. Chances are you'll be happier with the

Clip and save this. Or, memorize it.

Prints by the mile

In our discussions of the inexpensive, versatile Kodacraft Roll Film Tanks (\$2.95), Kodak D-76 Developer (36 cents in size to make a quart), Kodak Dektol Developer (78 cents in size to make a gallon), and Kodak Medalist Paper (\$2.45 for 25 sheets 8x10), we sometimes forget that some people have to do things in a bigger way.

Here, for instance, is a gadget Kodak makes for photofinishers, who roll out those millions of vacation snapshots of



the family in front of the family car in front of Yellowstone Park. It's called the Kodak Continuous Paper Processor, Model 4A. You can have one for \$5,850.00, if you need it. However, be careful. This gleaming stainless-steel monster will turn out 30,000 snapshotsize prints a day ... and will process Kodak Medalist and Ektalure papers in a 12-inch-wide roll at 5 feet per minute, all day long.

We thought you'd like to see the other side of the print-making picture. Incidentally, the Kodak chemicals and paper this device uses are of exactly the same quality you get in home-darkroom sizes from your Kodak dealer.

Child Development

If you gave your small boy and/or girl a camera or camera outfit for Christmas, he and/or she should be ready now to start learning how to develop film and make prints. Of course, you can use your own darkroom equipment for teaching, but this necessitates the usual "don't touch anything unless I'm here," which takes away a good part of the fun. A better solution is one of the \$9.95 Kodak Photo-Hobby Outfits, or a \$16.95 Kodak



De Luxe Photo-Hobby Outfit. The De Luxe Outfit includes a good all-metal contact printer, which you probably intended to buy anyway, but have kept putting off. Buy it for the small fry, and maybe you can get permission to use it now and then.

Big safelights

A home photo-lab with big ceiling safelights is much more pleasant-softer lighting, no gloomy corners. Every so often, someone asks us if it's safe for him to build his own enclosure to take one of our big Kodak Safelight Filters. Answer: Yes, if you provide for adequate ventilation and heat radiation, don't jam the safelight filter into place with no room for expansion, and keep " the wattage down to an appropriate level. The usual mistake is to fit the filter to an unventilated wooden box (wood is a fine heat-insulator) and put in too big a bulb. Naturally, the filter heats up and cracks (which is a dirty way to treat the best safelight filters you can get). A better way is to make a capacious metal box, as we do. Your dealer can supply you an 8x10-inch Kodak Safelight Filter for \$4.25; a 10x12-incher for \$5.25, in most series.

Salon sizes in Type C

Some months back, we reported that Kodak Color Print Material, Type C, was available only in 8x10-unless you needed \$50 worth. Times have changed. Demand for big sizes of Type C has grown to such a point that you can now have it in all the salon sizes (and larger) in packages as small as ten sheets.

New schedule, 10-sheet packages: 11x 14, \$7.95; 14x17, \$12.10; 16x20, \$16.10; 20x24, \$24.05. Also, if you want to Type-C-muralize the whole living-room wall, you can get it 30x40 inches, \$59.75

for 10 sheets.

Same sizes are also available in 50sheet packages; but remember that Type C requires refrigeration until you use it. (After printing, those big beautiful glowing color enlargements will warm up the whole house.)

Fact finding

Everything in photography is a challenge -to your technique, skill, judgment, originality, imagination. That's what . makes it interesting: setting up problems, finding answers, learning techniques.

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YOU CAN CREATE ANIMATED FILMS

by ERNEST M. PITTARO

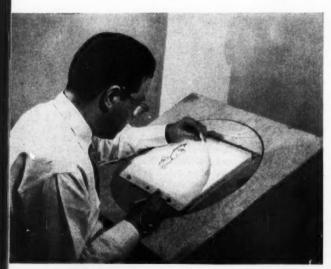
ANIMATED MOVIE making isn't as difficult for the amateur movie maker as you may think. Sure, professionals use equipment worth thousands of dollars—but for the purposes of the amateur movie maker the simplest kind of set-up will turn out admirable results. Remember, the professional has to come up with a production that will meet commercial requirements. And unless you plan on a pretty elaborate animated cartoon program, you don't need any special drawing talent.

What can animation do for your movie making? To begin with, it can help supply some of that missing continuity you need for travel and many other types of films. It can also offer you a change of movie making pace. Important, too, is the fact that you can shoot an animated movie with the simplest kind of set-up. And you control sets, actors, and script to an optimum degree. An animation movie can be shot in your kitchen, living room, or any part of the house.

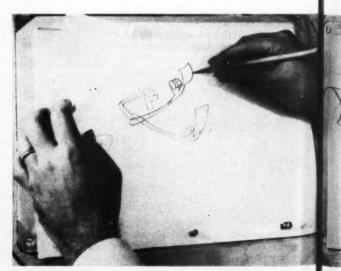
The equipment you need for animation can be reasonably simple. A camera, tripod, a few lights, a board or table to mount drawings or dolls can suffice. Of course, if you decide to take a crack at really professional animation, your equipment will have to be more elaborate. One of the more heavily-built titling units can often be made to substitute for a regular animation set-up.

A strip of exposed movie film is actually a series of still shots. Because they were shot at either 16 or 24 frames per second, only part of the action is recorded on each frame. When projected, the series of still shots is seen in rapid succession, and results in apparent reproduction of the movement you saw when you exposed the film. For a more detailed description of the workings of camera and projector, see MODERN, January and February 1956, Home Movie Course.

In making an animation film we shoot only one frame



ANIMATOR'S DRAWING BOARD is a big help in preparing animation drawings. The board is illuminated from underneath, permitting overlaying of several sheets. Registration pins make certain each sheet is properly aligned.



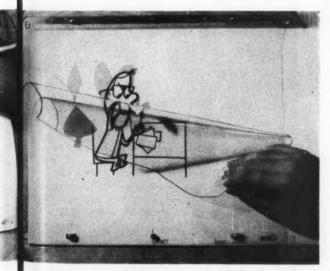
The extremes of the action are drawn first, sketching in the beginning and end of the movement. The third drawing illustrates the midpoint. The system is continued until the entire action has been drawn.

at a time. Instead of the action being continuous, we control it so that only a little bit of it takes place for each frame. You can see how this works by looking at the photos, bottom, page 90. Here, we wanted to shoot a scene where wine would seemingly disappear from a glass. The first step was to fill the glass, with the tripod-mounted camera trained on the scene. Then with an eyedropper, some of the wine was removed. and a single frame exposed. The process was repeated until the glass was empty. It's a good idea to shoot about 40 frames on continuous run before and 40 frames afterward. This serves to orient your audience to the glass. (This orientation is required at the opening of any animation scene.) When the film is projected, your audience sees the filled glass suddenly start to drain itself until it stands completely empty.

This simple kind of animation can be applied to movie making over a wide area. One place that it can be employed effectively is in vacation travel films. You may find that the jump between trip stops is disturbing. A bridge can be achieved through employment of an animated map, as in the pictures top, page 91. The large white dots can be punched out with an ordinary office punch. White pills can serve the purpose, too. Make sure that the trade name doesn't show. Place one dot at a time, exposing a single frame each time, until the route has been completed. Continuous lines may also be shown, by simply drawing a minute part of the line for each single frame exposure.

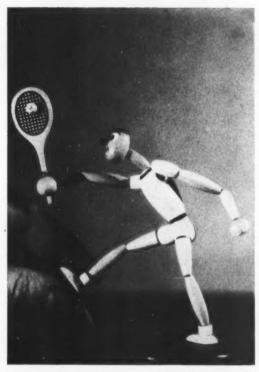
Passage of time can be illustrated by filming a burning cigarette in an ashtray, exposing a single frame about every 30 seconds. Another device is to move the hands of a clock a fraction of the time you wish to illustrate, until the hour or hours have been completed.

This kind of animation can be used to make a com-



After the pencil drawings have been made the cellulose acetate sheet (cel) is overlaid, and the originals traced on cels with thinned-out cel paint or India ink, Paint can then be applied to back of cels.





TOYS, DOLLS, OR PUPPETS can be used to create animated films. Jointed dolls can be purchased in art supply stores. Or, if you prefer to use a rag doll, thin metal rods can be inserted into limbs and bent into position. Pins can be used to keep doll in position by driving them through feet and cutting off pinheads. Pins can also be employed to keep small objects like tennis balls in place, as in the photograph above.



SINGLE FRAME exposure is possible even with the simplest of movie cameras. The eraser end of a pencil is employed to jab at the shutter release. A little practice and you will be able to hit the release just hard enough and long enough to expose a single frame at a time.

plete short film. By drawing lines or shapes, a little each time, an abstract movie can be created. But go easy, a little of that kind of film goes a long way. The same theory can be applied to clay forms, changing their shape a fraction for each exposure.

Slightly more ambitious, but no more difficult in respect to technique, is the animation of three dimensional objects such as toys or dolls. Any art store can supply you with dolls that have movable joints. Or, you can get your actors and actresses from the nearest toy chest or nursery. The photos on page 89 show some of the dolls and toys that lend themselves readily to animation. Rag dolls are good subjects. Inserting a short piece of thin, flexible metal rod into the limbs of the doll permits you to position them for each shot in the sequence. Dolls can be kept erect by placing wooden supports behind them, out of camera range, or by driving straight pins through the feet and clipping the pin heads. Cellulose tape with adhesive on both sides will often work. Modeling clay will also hold dolls in position.

Simulating human movement with dolls presents two problems. One, how long should the movement take on the screen? Two, what path does the movement



SELF-EMPTYING GLASS is one of the simplest types of animation. Glass is filled and about 40 frames exposed. An eyedropper full at a time is removed and a single frame exposed with each withdrawal.



When the film is projected at regular speed, the glass will seem to empty itself. The basis for most animation is exposing a series of single frames, recording only a small segment of the action each time.

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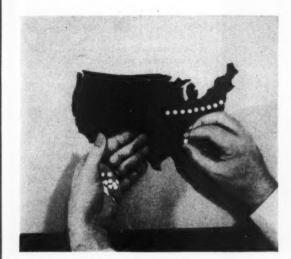
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SUPPLYING CONTINUITY is one use you can make of animation. Here, a vacation route across the country is being animated on a simple outline map. Each dot is photographed separately. See text for other devices.



LIGHTING FOR ANIMATION should be simple. Here two flood lights are aimed at the board to give even light. You may want more contrasty lighting for table top doll animation. Make sure to leave yourself working room.

have to follow to look real? Both questions can be answered in a similar way.

Suppose for a moment that you want to photograph a doll or puppet walking into a room. Simply run through the motion yourself. Walk into the room and stop approximately at a spot that corresponds to where your doll will stop in the set.

Time your movement from the moment you enter the room until you stop walking. Screen time should be the same. Close observance of the leg movement involved will also tell you how your doll must be moved. In walking, one sequence making up a step will be much like the next. Figuring out the number of frames you will have to expose to walk the doll across the set is the next item.

Let's assume that you took about ten steps in five seconds when you tried it out yourself. You plan to project the film at 16 frames per second. Total footage for the 10 steps of the walking doll is 80 frames, or 16 multiplied by 5. That means each step will take about 8 frames. The motion of the leg in walking is then divided into eight parts. The leg is moved a bit for each single frame exposure, as in the picture of the tennis player on page 89. The chart on this page will help you to determine the number of frames required for a movement to be completed in a given time.

You'll probably discover that a table top makes the best stage for your animated puppet or doll films. Backgrounds can be cut from magazines or sketched in on large sheets of paper.

As a general rule, fast actions require one frame per segment of movement. But where the action in real life is rather slow and covers (Continued on page 92)

CONVERSION CHART FROM SECONDS TO FRAMES

SILENT		SOUND		
Seco	nds	Frames	Seconds	Frames
1		16	1	24
2		32	2	48
3		48	3	72
4		64	4	96
5		80	5	120
6		96	6	144
7		112	7	168
8		128	8	192
9		144	9	216
10		160	10	240
- 11		176	11	264
12		192	12	288
13		208	13	312
14		224	14	336
15		240	15	360
16		256	16	384
17		272	17	408
18		288	18	432
19		304	19	456
20		320	20	480
21		336	21	504
22		352	22	528
23		368	23	552
24		384	24	576
25		400	25	600
26		416	26	624
27		432	27	648
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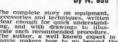
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only a small area, as the turning of a head, two frames per segment can be

shot for a smooth transition. You may want to try drawing or cartoon animation. Even here, within limits; no special talent or equipment is required. If your drawing talent is rather limited, you can still make stick figures that will provide many amusing evenings for children and grown-ups alike. Figures can be cut from magazines. Arm and leg movement is made possible by cutting the figures at the joints and rejoining them with pins whose heads are colored to blend with the tone of the

Even professional-type animation is possible, by adapting standard methods to your own use. You'll need an animation board to make your drawings. One can be made by cutting out a section of a drawing or other board to accept a glass panel roughly the size of the drawings you will make. The board should be illuminated from underneath.

paper.

Some means of registration must be employed, so that each sheet of paper will fall into exactly the same position occupied on the board by the previous one. A small office gang punch can be employed to make holes in the paper. Then insert wooden pegs of roughly the same size as the holes into your drawing board. The pegs should be the same distance apart as the paper holes. Similar pegs must be mounted on the board where the drawings will be photographed. A good paper size to use is regular 81/2 x 11 bond or typing paper.

The pictures on pages 88 and 89 show the steps involved in making the animation drawings. We have a little man slamming a playing card down on the table. In previous animations of dolls, we began from the start of the action and progressed gradually to the completion. Here's where drawn animation differs. The first drawing is of the end of the action. This is called drawing number one and is so marked. A fresh sheet of paper is placed over the illuminated drawing board over the first sheet. The start of the action is then drawn. Since the entire movement will take about one second, we label this one drawing 16. Known as "extremes," these two sheets will serve to orient all drawings to follow.

A third drawing, No. 8, is then made. In making the drawings keep in mind that some parts of the body move more than others for a particular action. In this particular case, the action of the lower part of the arm is greater than the upper arm. The elbow serves as a fulcrum. The first part of the action can be completed by taking drawings Nos. 1 and 8 and laving them on the drawing board. After drawing No. 4 is com-

pleted, 2 and 3 can be filled in. The process is repeated until the entire action has been drawn. Gathering up the sheets in sequence, flip them like a toy flicker book. You'll get an idea of what the final film will look like.

If you like, a "pencil test" film can be made on positive film. This kind of film is color blind, registering only black and white, with no middle tones. The positive film will give you an image composed of white lines on a dark background, and serves to test the accuracy of your original drawings. The sketches are mounted on the shooting board and the camera mounted on a tripod. For more professional results a titling stand may be used.

Once you are satisfied with the results of the pencil sketches, you can go on to

the next step.

The pencil outlines can be inked in with India ink. A cellulose acetate sheet (cel) can be used to provide a sketchy background. Be sure that the background will not conflict with the drawings. Leave the area where the figures will appear blank while sketching in trees, chairs, and other props at the edges of the sheet.

You may want to do a more pro-fessional job. In that case you'll need a sheet of cellulose acetate on which to transfer each one of your drawings. The cels must be perforated in such a way as to match the perforations of the pencil

sketches.

A drawing is placed on the drawing board and a cel laid over it. India ink is used to trace the drawings on the cel. Mark the cel to correspond with the drawing. Incidentally, it's a good idea to wear cotton gloves to avoid fingerprints on the cels.

After all the pencil drawings have been transferred to cels and the cels have dried, you can start painting. Turn the cels over so that the inked side is down. Special paints for painting cels can be obtained at your local art supply store. Fill in the outlines with color. Remember, once you've used a color for one portion of the drawing on a cel, it must be continued on the next cel.

Once the cels have been painted, you can either paint a suitable background or cut one from a magazine or other source.

The cels are photographed in the same way that you made the pencil test. Each cel is exposed for a single frame. A sheet of 1/4-in. glass will hold the cels flat.

Lighting for dolls, simple line animation, or even drawn animation should be kept simple. Keep the lighting units as far from the subject as is consistent with a workable f-number, as in the photo on page 91. Keeping them too far away may mean too little light for good exposure.

The best way to determine exposure (Continued on page 94)



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is to run a test. Set up lights, copy, and camera. Expose a few feet at the setting recommended for your camera, a few more at about one-half to one f-number greater and from one-half to one f-number smaller than recommended. Compare the results, choose the lens opening giving the best results.

If you have no single frame device on your camera, set the camera at its slowest speed and punch off a single frame with the eraser end of a pencil. Keep your lighting set-up standardized throughout the test and when actually shooting the animation film.

Animation gives you almost absolute control over your movie making. It also means an opportunity to go far afield with the abstract type of film. But whether you animate for fun, or for some more serious reason, you'll find that it offers many an opening for really creative movie making.—THE END

Drawings for this article were supplied by Lars Calonius Studios and the Better Vision Institute.

PRAKTINA FX

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finder ground glass which is standard with the Praktina FX. We have always found the standard, plain glass quite adequate for focusing, Happily, on the Praktina the rangefinder ground glass can easily be replaced with a plain ground glass (\$3.95). It's held in place by springs under the removable prism.

With the plain ground glass in place, we found the focusing and viewing image quite bright. The ground glass itself seems finely etched and it's possible to focus sharply with it. The shutter release which juts out from the right side of the camera body at a 45 degree angle falls admirably under your forefinger. The Praktina is easy to hold steady.

It's nice to have all the shutter speed markings on one dial atop the camera. Tests made proved them consistent in range. The 1/10 sec. marking is especially welcome for those exteremely low light level hand-held shots. Shutter noise and mirror shake caused by the springoperated mirror flying upward were about average.

The frame counter is integral with the wind knob and is sometimes a bit hard to read, since it works off the same indicator arrow as the outer ring which controls shutter speeds. The wind knob is all right, but a rapid-wind lever would be welcome.

The back of the Praktina comes off completely for loading film, exposing a dull, matte-finished, well made, cast cam-

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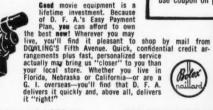
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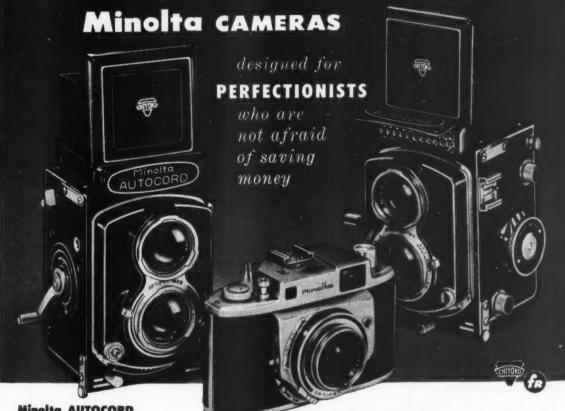
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era interior. Exterior finish of the Praktina proved durable and rather scratch proof.

We examined a number of the camera accessories rather closely: the Rapid-sequence Spring Motor, Electric and Magnetic Remote Control, the Bulk Film Magazine, and the only lens, other than a normal focal length, in the automatic diaphragm mount—the 35mm f/2.8 Flektogon made by the old Zeiss plant in Jena.

The rapid-sequence spring motor will probably be the most wanted and also the most useful accessory for the average amateur or even professional photographer. It makes the Praktina the onlystandard 35mm which can be converted into a motorized camera.

Attachment is quite simple. The motor anchors to the tripod screw and a screwthreaded drive mechanism keys to a slotted wheel on the bottom of the camera (picture page 52). Each motor must be adjusted to the camera with which it's used. Once the motor's in place, it fits snugly and neatly next to the camera body. It adds surprisingly little in weight and bulk. Seventeen twists of your wrist wind the spring motor completely, allowing you to shoot a sure ten shots as fast as you can press the shutter release. We thought the constant blanking out of the prism viewfinder between shots might be a problem, but it isn't at all. The viewfinder blanks out only for a brief fraction of a second before the spring-loaded mirror returns to the down position and vou're ready for the next shot. Incidentally, there's a direct optical viewfinder built into the camera body for use with the rapid-sequence motor, or with flash where it's really too dark to see through the prism viewfinder. However, we never found occasion to use it.

The sequence motor did not jam and always worked for us. We've noted a number of professional photographers who have become addicted to it.

The motor, although efficient, makes a racket as it winds the film from one frame to another. While it will prove ideal for sports photography, it won't do for any work where silence is needed.

Electric motor

The more cumbersome Electric Motor and Magnetic Remote Control unit attaches in a manner quite similar to the spring motor. It's designed for remote control operation of the camera up to 75 feet. A solenoid tripper presses the shutter release and an electric motor then winds the film to the next frame. Current (12 volt) can be supplied by automobile batteries, or you can purchase a rectifier for under \$50 to allow use with AC house lines. There's also a

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The electric motor works quite efficiently and is quieter than the spring-wound motor. It's definitely not to be hand held however. For time lapse and nature photography, it should prove very successful.

The 50-foot capacity bulk film magazine, which replaces the regular back of the Praktina, can be used in combination with either the spring or electric motor and magnetic remote control. It's rather awkward to load properly and place on the camera. While it will have very definite advantages for people doing microfilm work or scientific jobs where you might need to shoot 420 pictures without reloading, the average user will not be too concerned with it.

A new wide-angle lens

The 35mm f/2.8 Flektogon lens tested proved one of the very best wide-angle lenses we've yet to use on a single-lens reflex. We particularly liked the definition even at the corners at widest aperture. The lens, incidentally, focuses as close as 13 inches which you may find useful. However, watch for distortion most closely when you're that near your

subject. It can cause a lot of trouble.

We didn't use the Praktina with extremely long focal length lenses, or with the Microscopic Eyepiece. But Leo Stashin, a leading freelance photojournalist did, and submitted to us a complete test report on his actual experience with his and our Praktina:

A professional says

"The Praktina FX comes very close to the ideal, allowing the photographer to shoot sequence action while following and focusing on the subject. The 58mm f/2 Biotar lens, I find, after examining many, is generally a very sharp lens. At maximum opening it is quite sharp in the center but falls off slightly toward the edge. I obtained good results with the 35mm f/2.8 Flectogon, a lens with which I had not worked before.

"The built-in automatic diaphragm feature works quite well. Although you must cock the shutter after each exposure, I found the actions of using the camera followed in a rhythmical flow with a minimum of noise or jar (when compared to other single-lens reflexes I've used).

Do you need the rangefinder?

"The split-image rangefinder works nicely with the Biotar lens, but darkens appreciably with the Flektogon even at its full f/2.8 opening. With long focal

length lenses, I found the darkened rangefinder almost impossible to use. Instead, I inserted a plain ground glass in place of the rangefinder glass and found I much preferred it. I worked with a 180mm Olympic Sonnar f/2.8, a 125mm f/4 Triotar and even a 500mm f/8 lens. With such long lenses I preferred the Microscopic Eyepiece which offered about six times magnification, rather than the Pentaprism.

"The extension tubes and bellows available for the Praktina are quite interesting. The 50 or 58mm lens can be used normally, with the lens facing outward, or the lens can be reversed, facing inward, for more than ten times magnification.

Summing it up

"Taking all factors into consideration, I believe the camera is a step in the right direction. It is of professional quality and quite suited to professional work. It seems rugged enough to withstand much abuse. With the multitude of accessories available and those which are bound to be available in the future, the Praktina FX opens many new vistas on the photographic horizon for both professional and amateur alike."—H. K.

Editors Note: A third normal focal length lens, a Steinheil 55mm f/1.9 Auto-Quinon has just been announced. No price has been set.



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salability of the camera. But since the shutter is behind the lens, where the light path has widened considerably, the blades must open wider than if they were between the elements of a similar lens, and this means everything must be bigger. And since high speeds are a must, the bigger assemblies have to be made stronger, which may make something else bigger.

As the final problem, the customer wants all features, and at his price.

How do they compare?

Since these cameras are intended to have interchangeable lenses, the first reaction is to compare their abilities with focal plane shutter rangefinder cameras, which also take interchangeable lenses.

Immediately, one is struck by what appear to be obvious and serious limitations of the behind-lens shutter. But are these really limitations?

Shutter speeds: In many cases they go to only 1/300 (in some, to 1/500), compared to 1/1,000 or faster for focal plane shutters. We checked with a number of amateur photographers having the 1/1,000 shutter speed on their cameras. None had ever used it. Few ever made use of 1/500. Most shoot outdoors at 1/100 or 1/125, and went to 1/250 for something moving fast.

Our opinion: For most amateurs, a shutter speed of 1/300 or 1/500 sec. is fast enough to satisfy any picture need.

Wide-angle lenses: You can get them now to practically look behind you. But notice how deeply the rear elements of such lenses protrude into the body of the focal plane shutter camera. No such lens could be seated on a behind-lens shutter camera-it would hit the shutter.

However, the most used wide-angle lens is the 35mm focal length, and that can be seated on the new cameras. It has to be of good quality or its inability to distribute light to the corners of the negative will be noticeable with color films. This is called vignetting.

Lenses of shorter than 35mm focal length present even greater problems with regard to light distribution. We have not had a chance to use any of the 28mm lenses soon to be available for the new behind-lens shutter cameras.

Our opinion: We've used all kinds of wide-angle lenses and the 35mm focal length seems to be the one best suited to most amateur needs; this will fit in front of a leaf type shutter.

Long distance lenses: This covers both true telephoto and long focal length lenses. Behind-lens shutters work beautifully with 100mm lenses, and can be satisfactory with lenses of up to 135mm focal length, if the units are well made and of moderate aperture. Greater focal

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For Leica M-3 owners who prefer the broad point of view afforded by a 35mm wide-angle lens, here's good news! Wideangle fans-increasing numbers are using the 35mm lens as "standard"have been somewhat hampered, up until now, by the necessity for using an auxiliary finder to frame the wider field of



The new 35mm Summaron f/3.5, with auxiliary optical unit, allows use of regular Leica M-3 viewfinder window for both range- and viewfinding.

view-and the inconvenience of switching the eye from rangefinder to viewfinder window.

Now Ernst Leitz, Wetzlar has a solution, which allows the M-3 user to frame his wide-angle view through the regular viewfinder window. The new 35mm Summaron f/3.5, a bayonet-mounting lens, has been equipped with an adapter which makes it possible.

Fitted into a slot atop the lens mount is an auxiliary optical viewing unit, consisting of two components mounted in a bracket, which adapts the regular viewing system to the 35mm lens. The component which is positioned in front of the regular viewfinder window (photo, above) corrects the viewfinder so that the large bright-line frame which usually encompasses the 50mm field of view now matches the wider field of the 35mm lens. The round window in front of the rangefinder opening adjusts the movable, or focusing, image so that both images are the same size.

A notched foot on the auxiliary viewing unit fits into a shoe on the lens



Large bright-line frame encompasses 50mm field of view when viewfinder is used without auxiliary unit.

barrel. The connection is tightened with the knurled screw on top (see photo, below). Although the two units are separate, the rangefinder will not function unless the auxiliary unit is in position. Without it, the rangefinder knob stays locked at infinity. No chance for focusing mistakes which might result from neglect and a viewfinder not properly adapted to the 35mm field.

A special coupling device at the top of the lens barrel, which fits into the foot of the auxiliary, permits use of the rangefinder. Mounting the viewing unit provides the proper correction and also unlocks the lens for focusing.

The 35mm Summaron f/3.5 has click stops from f/3.5 to f/22, and the lens



Viewing unit is mounted atop lens barrel, which fits bayonet mount of M-3 in usual manner. Unit is lightweight, can be left attached to lens.

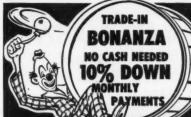
fits into the bayonet mount of the Leica M-3 in the usual manner. The red positioning dot on the lens barrel is raised and is said to make lens mounting both quicker and easier. Viewfinder is parallax-corrected to 26 inches when used with this lens.

The auxiliary viewing unit can be attached to the lens barrel either before or after the lens is mounted on the camera. The extra unit is lightweight and does not appear to interfere with facility of changing lenses, even if left attached to the lens mount.

Price of the 35mm Summaron with auxiliary optical unit is \$135 .- THE END



Same frame delineates 35mm view when optical attachment is in place atop new Summaron wide-angle lens.







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A similar device, the Biclad, is made by the manufacturers of Alpa singlelens reflex cameras. Both the Closal and Biclad are available for use with a great variety of single-lens reflex cameras with automatic diaphragm lenses.

Wide-angle and tele attachments

Just because your camera doesn't have an interchangeable lens mount is no reason for you to be without wide-angle or telephoto effects. All you need do is slip over your lens an auxiliary wideangle or telephoto attachment, such as the Spiratone devices (photo 7). Other lenses of this type are made by Mansfield Industries and Kalimar Inc.

The Spiratone lenses fit your camera lens with a Series 6 filter adapter ring. Other makes are supplied to fit specific lens mounts.

In addition to the wide-angle or tele attachment, you'll need a new finder to tell you what's going to be in the picture. The Accura finder shown is adjustable for use with both attachments. has parallax correction adjustable to as close as 10 in. Other makers supply individual finders for each wide-angle or tele lens.

While you shouldn't expect the definition you'd get with full interchangeable lenses, these accessory units will perform adequately provided you use your camera lens at fairly small apertures.

Auxiliary viewfinders

There are a good number of really excellent 35mm cameras which just have poor viewfinders that are not too bright or clear. Sometimes, the exact outline of the picture area is not defined. If this is your problem, why not try a special viewfinder which will fit in the accessory shoe of your camera and make taking pictures a lot easier? In addition to showing you the field of view for your normal lens, many frame the picture area for tele or wide-angle lenses.

In photo 8, the upper row shows adjustable optical finders made by Zeiss, Nikon, Leitz, and Accura.

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The Nikon finder is of the "zoom" type. As you twist a dial, the image becomes larger or smaller indicating the proper field of view of lenses from 35mm to 135mm focal length. A dial at the back of the finder adjusts for parallax.

Other "zoom" type finders are made by Tewe and Accura. The Leitz Imarect finder indicates the proper field of view for lenses of 35mm to 135mm focal length by changing the mask size. The image itself doesn't change in size. A lever at the back of the finder tilts it up or down to correct parallax at various working distances. A similar finder is made by Canon.

The Accura finder also masks the field of view for lenses ranging from 35 to 135mm. This finder has parallax correction for working distances as close as 10 in. It is made for the Leica and a variety of other 35mm cameras.

In the lower row (photo 7) the left finder is the Novoflex Direct Optical Finder for single-lens reflex cameras such as the Exakta and Praktica cameras. This is available in two models for each camera. One shows the fields of view for 50, 58, and 105mm lenses; the other for 50, 58, and 135mm lenses. All models are secured to the camera by the tripod socket.

In the center of the bottom row is the Leitz Optical-Brilliant Viewfinder which shows the subject outlined by a brilliant white line. More than the actual field area is visible, letting you see the subject entering and leaving the picture area—a valuable feature when shooting fast action. A dotted parallax compensating line is also visible in the finder. Similar finders are made by Canon, Steinheil and Konica.

At the far right on the bottom row (photo 7) is the Canon Frame Finder. Finders of this type are also very valuable when shooting fast action. The subject appears in natural size and can be seen entering and leaving the field of view. There is no glass to get dirty or scratched. It won't fog up in cold or poor weather. The Canon Frame Finder accommodates lenses from 50 to 135mm, has provision for parallax compensation.

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Flash conversion tips

It's most annoying, but many cameras still have different types of flash outlets. Each requires a different connecting cord flash tip. If you've got more than one camera, each with a different tip, this can become very disconcerting. (Usually you'll forget the proper cord, or mislay it.)

You can bring order out of chaos with a set of inexpensive flash conversion tips (photo 9). These tips adapt a variety of cameras to function with one cord—the single-terminal push-on type.

Adapters are available for cameras such as Exakta, Robot, the Leicas, Praktica, Stereo Realist, Argus C-3, Ricoh 500, Graphic 35, Argus C-44, etc.

There are also adapters to allow you to connect more than one flashgun to your camera, and to convert ASA bayonet cords to fit Compur and Prontor type outlets. Extension cords also available permit you to get your flashgun off the camera for special lighting effects.

Flash synchronizers

If your Leica (or similar) camera has no flash synchronization you can still take flash pictures without building flash terminals into the camera body. The external synchronizers, such as the Geiss-Kontakt (shown photo 9) or the Hakosyn, consist of a contact and flash outlet assembly which slides into your camera's accessory shoe, and a contact that fits on the fast-speed dial of the camera. When the latter revolves during exposure, it makes contact and fires the flashbulb at the correct instant. Any battery case and reflector may be used.

Film cassettes

Have you ever been plagued by scratches from the felt in cartridges that you've reloaded with bulk 35mm film? Metal film magazines or cassettes (photo 10) will end this trouble and other troubles such as tree-like static electricity marks from felt cartridge lips.

Magazines consist of an outer shell, a revolving inner shell and a film spool. When the assembled and loaded magazine is placed in the camera and the back or base plate locked in place, the inner shell is revolved and the magazine is automatically opened to let the film pass through a felt-free opening. Opening the camera back or removing the baseplate closes the magazine.

Magazines are of far heavier construction than ordinary cartridges, and should last a lifetime even with frequent use.

Slow speed attachments

Does your camera lack slower speeds than 1/25 second? Make it more versa-

tile by adding a slow speed attachment.

The Kopil self timer (photo 11) fits all cameras with a standard cable release socket, or Leica type sockets with an adapter. It delivers slow shutter speeds from ½ to 10 sec.—may also be used as a self timer at all speeds. A similar device is called the Framex.

The Leitz Slow Speed Attachment fits Leica cameras or other cameras with a Leica cable release socket. It delivers highly accurate speeds of 1, ½, ¼ and ½ sec. Your camera shutter must be set at Bulb (B) when these devices are used.

Ground glass focusers

Two interesting devices give you a preview of the image that will reach the film. These are the Accura focusing ground glass for Leica and Canon type lenses, and the Accura focusing ground glass insert (photo 12).

The focusing ground glass takes any lens with a Leica or Canon type thread. It is useful for checking lens performance, such as overall sharpness, infinity focus etc. It may also be used to check composition and depth of field.

The Accura ground glass insert fits into the focal plane of many 35mm cameras. To use it, place your camera on a tripod, copying stand or similar support. Put the insert into the focal plane, open shutter and diaphragm and focus the image on the ground glass. With its aid, you can use extension tubes, close-up and special lenses with the assurance that what you see you'll get on the film.

After focusing the image, you close the shutter, set diaphragm and speed, insert the film, close the camera and shoot the picture.

Shoe-mounting exposure meters

How often have you looked into your gadget bag and found that you've left your exposure meter at home?

Why not prevent this with one of the new miniature exposure meters, now becoming so popular, which slip into the accessory shoe of your camera. (If your camera has no accessory shoe your local dealer or camera repair shop can probably install one for you inexpensively.)

The meter shown (photo 13) mounted in the accessory shoe of the Alpa Reflex is the Metrawatt. Similar meters are offered by Leitz (their MC meter mounted on the Leica M-3 sets the shutter speed as the exposure is measured). Accura, Sekonic, FR, Polaroid, Argus L-3, and Sixti are other meters of this type.

Did you ever try to hand hold a tele lens of over 135mm focal length? For positive results you generally need a tripod, with its limitations on following the subject freely. But there's no need to endure camera shake when shooting long distance shots, or to become earth bound by a tripod.

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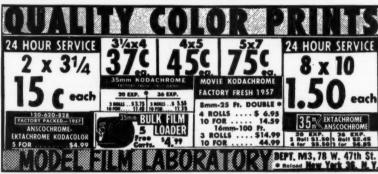
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Last year, the first time the show was ever held at the gigantic new Coliseum, more than 170 exhibitors displayed the latest in photographic equipment to hundreds of thousands of amateur and professional photographers. The equipment shown came from all over the world, and added up to an estimated \$10 million in cash value.

In addition to the display of equipment, many manufacturers sponsored sessions at which amateur still and movie photographers had an opportunity to hear instructional lectures by leading authorities. Many booths featured pretty models who never seemed to tire of posing for amateurs' cameras.

Once again this year there will be a contest for the best pictures taken of a special display. Other picture-taking opportunities will be presented on a stage designed to carry out the theme of the show.

One of last year's most interesting exhibits consisted of the best press photos of the year, as presented by the New York Press Photographers Assn.

This year, the best shots of 1956 will be shown to the public.

Many plans for the show, encompassing several surprises, are still in the making.—THE END

ACCESSORIES

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Although he began to do casual, snapshot-type work twelve years ago, he has had a serious photographic bent for only the past four years. During that period his cautious-but not over-cautiousway of working has taught him an important concept: "You should know exactly what a picture will look like before making the exposure." This refers not only to the subject, but to the lines and shapes and tonal qualities that contribute to content. Of course, this presupposes more than adequate technical abilities-which Bigman has. He has standardized his basic techniques: he uses an exposure meter wherever possible; generally uses one film, Plus-X; develops by time and temperature in Panthermic 777; prints on Medalist paper and develops it in Dektol. Darkroom work is no problem-his job as a professional printer for one of the photographic labs in New York City keeps him in daily practice.

Although his techniques are uniform, they are not rigid. Bigman will not prohibit experiments in taking or processing for special effects. However, he does feel that photographic trickery must be used for a purpose and not for the sake of reaching the exotic.

Anti-faddist

Not verbose, but certainly not inarticulate, Bigman protests the flights of fads that prev on photographers like locusts. He thinks every type of camera, like every technique, has a definite place, and that the perceptive photographer should know when (and when not) to use them. He himself has used the 21/4 twin-lens reflex as well as 8 x 10 view camera and 35mm, depending on the subject. No equipment for equipment's sake here!

Nor does Bigman believe in limiting subject matter. People, landscape, fashion all interest him photographically. In the human body, especially, he finds a great source of natural design, and many of his subjects are people at restmen, women, children-stretched out in some city park. Bigman likes to shoot against the ground for it provides a unified background which sets off the curve of a torso or angles of bent arms or legs.

Too much is being said ex post facto about the techniques of picture making thinks Bigman. "We don't spend enough time thinking about what actually is in a picture." This is what he considers and reconsiders as he makes each exposure, and as he bides his time before turning professional. It is from such a thoughtful approach that Discoveries come.-D.J.

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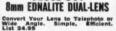


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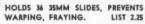
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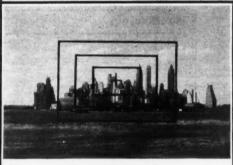
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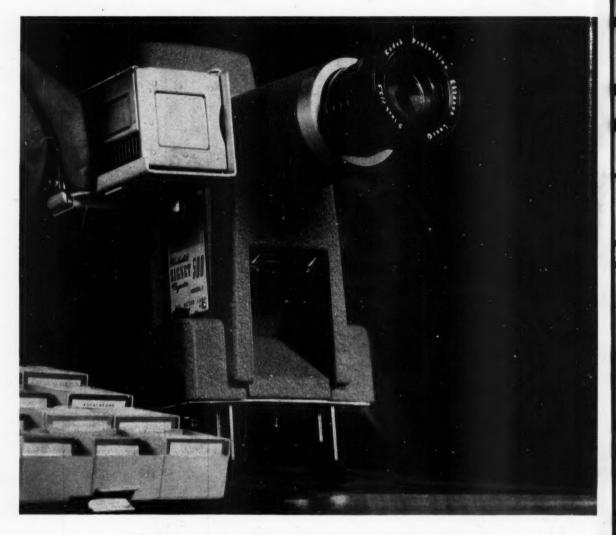
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